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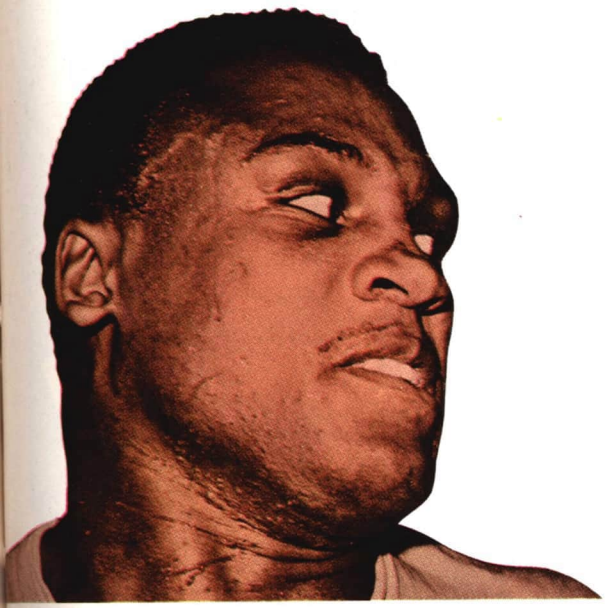

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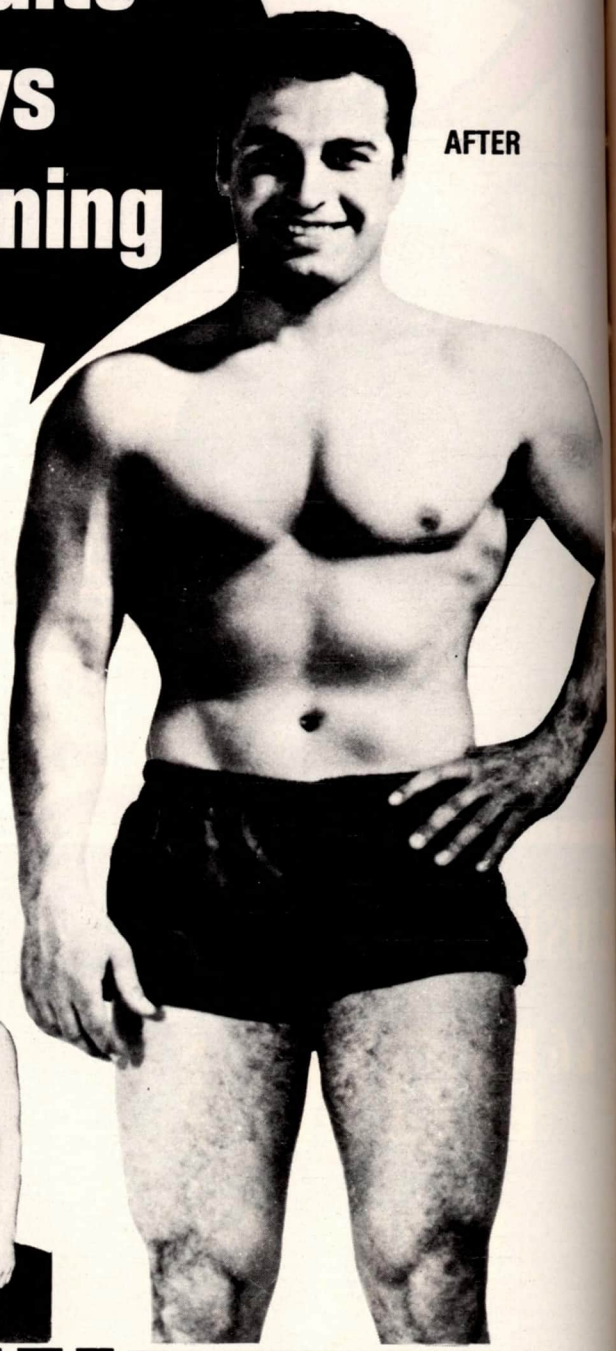

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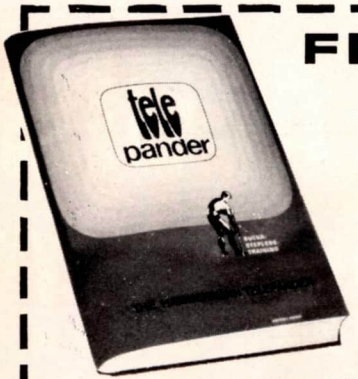

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NOW we stand at Armageddon in the heavyweight war, and we are down to two contenders, Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis. They are past the stage of insignificant persiflage, and face the pleasant task—pleasant financially—of fighting each other for something better than $250,000 each in New York's Madison Square Garden.

Ellis's standing was tarnished somewhat by his disputed decision over the Hermit Heavy, Floyd Patterson, now reported to have retired.

Frazier's prestige was increased appreciably by his seven-round knockout of Jerry Quarry, who again showed his gameness, but was in the wrong league.

Let's forget, for the time being, that either heavyweight has any advantage.

They are accepted on a parity, and it's up to them to settle the question of superiority, with an eye on the world heavyweight championship.

After Frazier's KO of Quarry, Joe Louis said that a Frazier-Ellis match would be no contest. He predicted that Joe would crowd his man so robustly as to leave Jimmy no room to work his jab.

Maybe, and then again, maybe not. Louis hasn't always been correct as a ring prophet. This is said in no derogation of the Brown Bomber. Former champions in all classes have been known to see contenders with jaundiced eye, or with too strong reliance on impressions. The ring has a strange way of destroying fancies, and belaboring convictions.

It is known that when two big men face each other there is no telling. Galento may deck Louis. Fitzsimmons, running second, suddenly may come up with a sneak solar plexus wallop to beat Corbett. Conn, leading for the title after 36 minutes of boxing, may be decked for the 10-count by Louis. As the Mexican says, "Quien sabe?"

Looking back at Frazier's KO of Quarry, I have these impressions: 1. Joe is the strongest fighter in the heavyweight class; 2. Joe is the most dangerous infighter; 3. Joe can take it, he can dish it out, and he can be cruel, always relentless; 4. Give Frazier a harder punch and he would be murder; 5. Frazier is inclined to fight his own fight, and at times to deviate from the plans and instructions of Yank Durham, his trainer.

Ellis, unlike Frazier, is a boxer who has tasted defeat. Don't overlook this.

1. Ellis has a fine jab, but not too handy and punishing a hook; 2. Ellis jabs and runs, a system which does not always work, especially against a crowder and buller; 3. Ellis adheres religiously to Angelo Dundee's plans and orders, and Angelo comes into the ring with crafty insights into enemy style, method, and weak points; 4. Ellis is not a KO heavyweight, as he lacks the power for a one-punch victory.

Matching Frazier's points against Ellis's, we find that there are so many features of divergence that their meeting will be either a fierce encounter, or a complete dud. A heavyweight fight with one man running and the other in pursuit has been known to produce what is known as a stinker.

When Frazier stopped Quarry, negotiations for a Frazier-Ellis meeting had been handicapped pretty much as the Vietnam peace talks had been stymied in Paris.

First, there was an Ellis insistence that the fight be held in Houston. Just why this demand nobody knows. Why Ellis did not want to fight in New York could not be fathomed.

Ellis also had been demanding, as he may be demanding now, billing as the world champion, a designation in which he has been supported by the so often wrong WBA.

As this issue of The Ring was being circulated around the world, neither Frazier nor Ellis had any right to demand billing as the world champion. The title holder still was Cassius Clay, who would remain the champion until he had exhausted all possibilities of escaping jail.

Harry Markson, of the Garden, is willing to spend $600,000 for the fight, knowing that the arena he commands would be packed at $100 tops, and that closed circuit TV would be a bonanza.

In the meantime, Clay looks over the fence with mouth drooling, and the complete conviction that he had made a horrible mistake when he declined the Army's draft and left himself open to conviction in the Federal Court as a felon.

However, that's water over the dam. Clay's lawyer has been demanding that Federal Judge Joe Ingraham hold more hearings, with FBI wiretap stuff barred.

The Ring Magazine's support of Clay as the champion has been more often commended than attacked in the U.S. and other parts of the world.

In fact, The Ring has been amazed at the meagerness of complaints against its policy.

Now and then an irate reader will "take pen in hand," and blast this magazine and me.

"Publish this, if you dare," one heated correspondent wrote. "How much are you getting from Clay for backing him up? It must be a neat sum." This from Jackson, Miss.

Clay visits New York often. He never spends a dime for a telephone call to me.

Not once since The Ring took the stand in his favor has Cassius Clay Muhammad Ali visited The Ring offices, or given to Nat Fleischer the small courtesy of a call.

Clay's Increased Jeopardy Spurs Frazier and Ellis

By DAN DANIEL

IN the near future, announcement will be made of a heavyweight fight between Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis, 15 rounds "for the world championship."

The contest will be held in New York's Madison Square Garden, which has set up rewards coming to at least $500,000 for the contestants, and an expenditure of some $600,000 for the card.

The Garden's rewards will include the appreciable profits from closed circuit TV of the fight.

What with one thing and another, it promises to be a rich enterprise reminiscent of the affluence of the Mike Jacobs and Tex Rickard heydays.

The Ring, which has kept insisting that Cassius Clay must continue to be recognized as the world champion until, and if, he exhausts the benefits of the full process of law, is cognizant of the possibility that by the time Frazier and Ellis climb through the ropes Clay, adjudged guilty of a felony for refusal to honor his draft by the Army, will be on his way to a Federal penitentiary.

If he fails in his further appeals, he will have to serve five years and pay a fine of $10,000. There is some possibility that he will be able to persuade the courts to cut his sentence to three, or even two, years, and his fine to $5,000.

If, at long last, Clay enters a Federal jail, his world championship will be forfeit and the winner of the Frazier-Ellis fight will own the title.

The possibility of Clay's being forced to go to prison, with complete judicial denial of his claims to Islamic preacher status and denial of his insistence that he must be exempted from service as a conscientious objector, became stronger with Federal Judge Joe Ingraham's reiteration of the five-year sentence.

The Clay case was reviewed by the Supreme Court, which sent it back to the Federal Courts with the order that any evidence prejudicial to Cassius which may have been obtained by the FBI through wire tapping, and bugging, be disregarded.

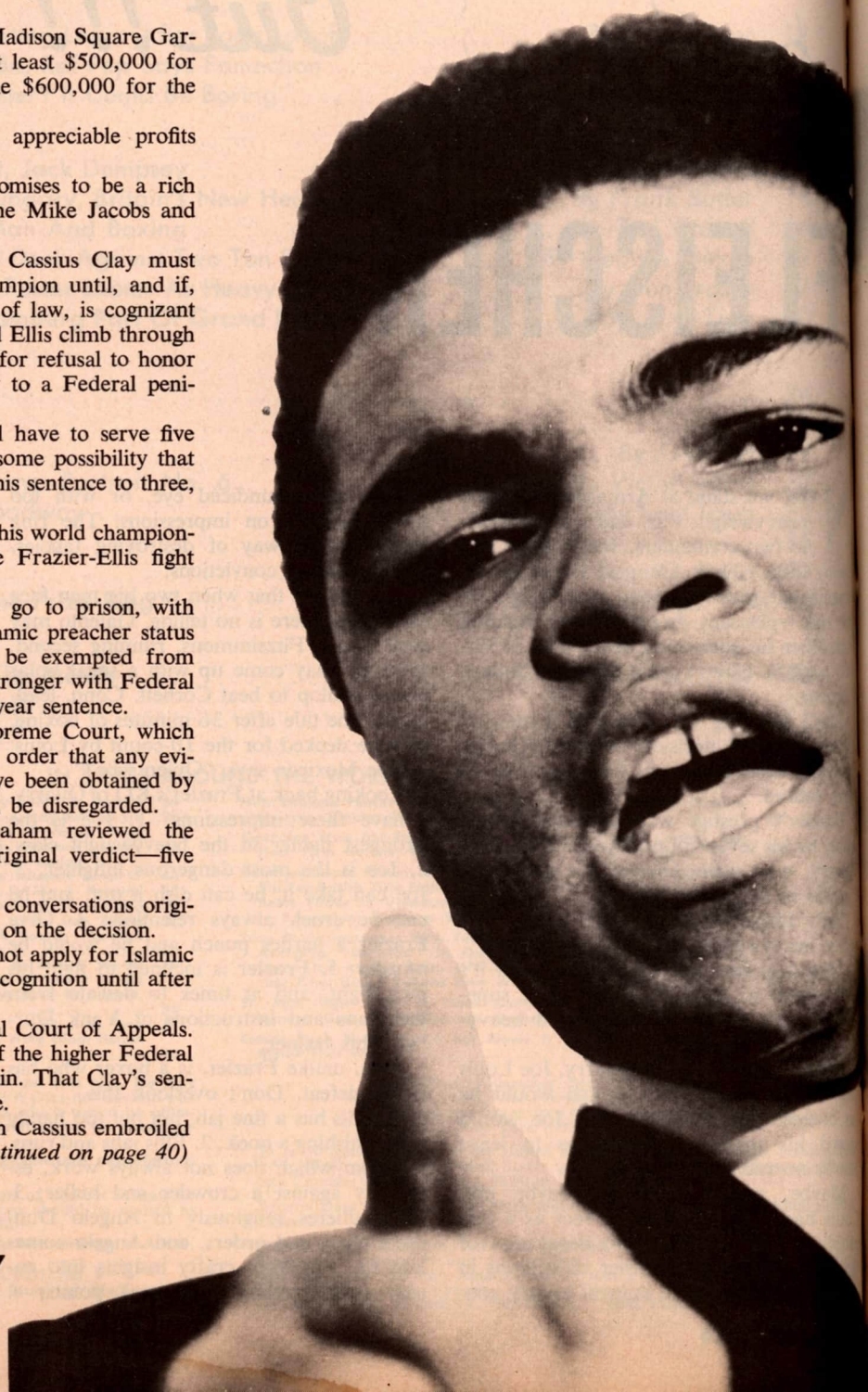
In pursuance of this order, Judge Ingraham reviewed the case and his decision, and stood by his original verdict—five years and $10,000.

Judge Ingraham insisted that four tapped conversations originally admitted into evidence had no bearing on the decision.

The original stand had been that Clay did not apply for Islamic preacher status and conscientious objector recognition until after he had been drafted.

The case now again lies before the Federal Court of Appeals. That it will go to the Supreme Court again if the higher Federal Court backs up Judge Ingraham is not certain. That Clay's sentence will be reduced is regarded as probable.

With Clay's chances not so promising, with Cassius embroiled in an internal dispute which *(Continued on page 40)*



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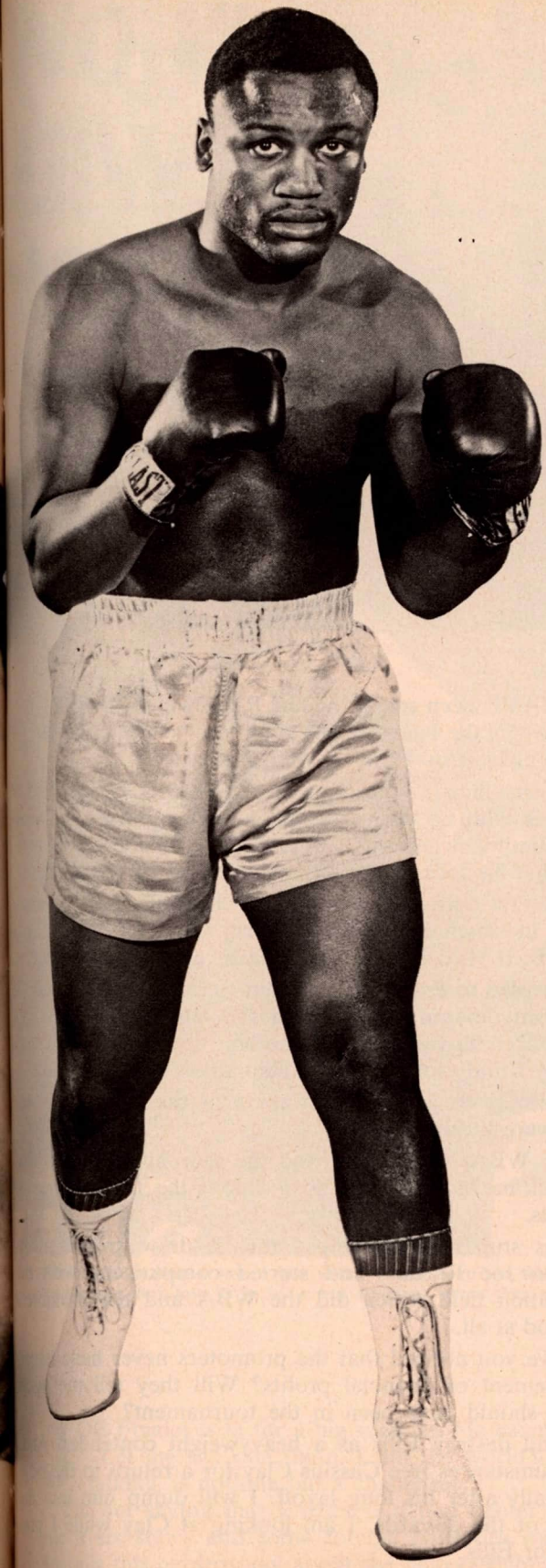

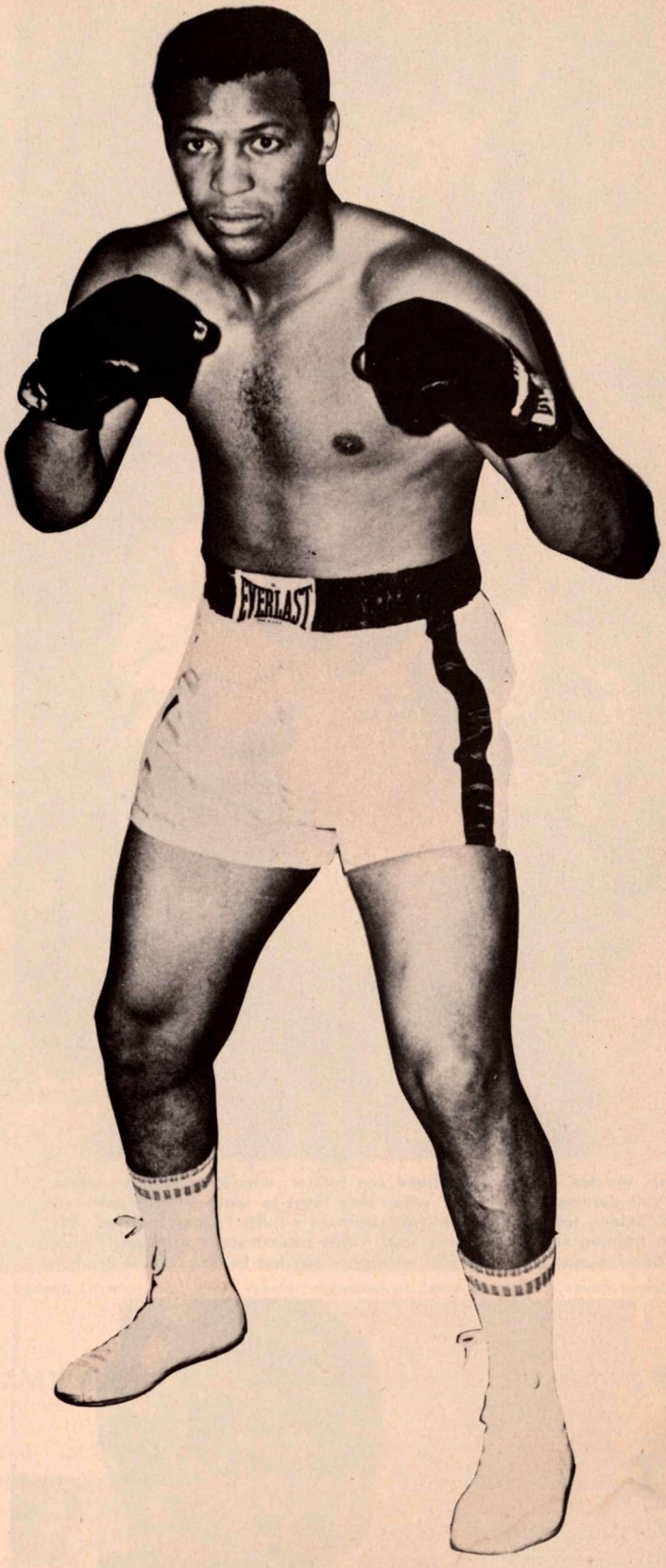

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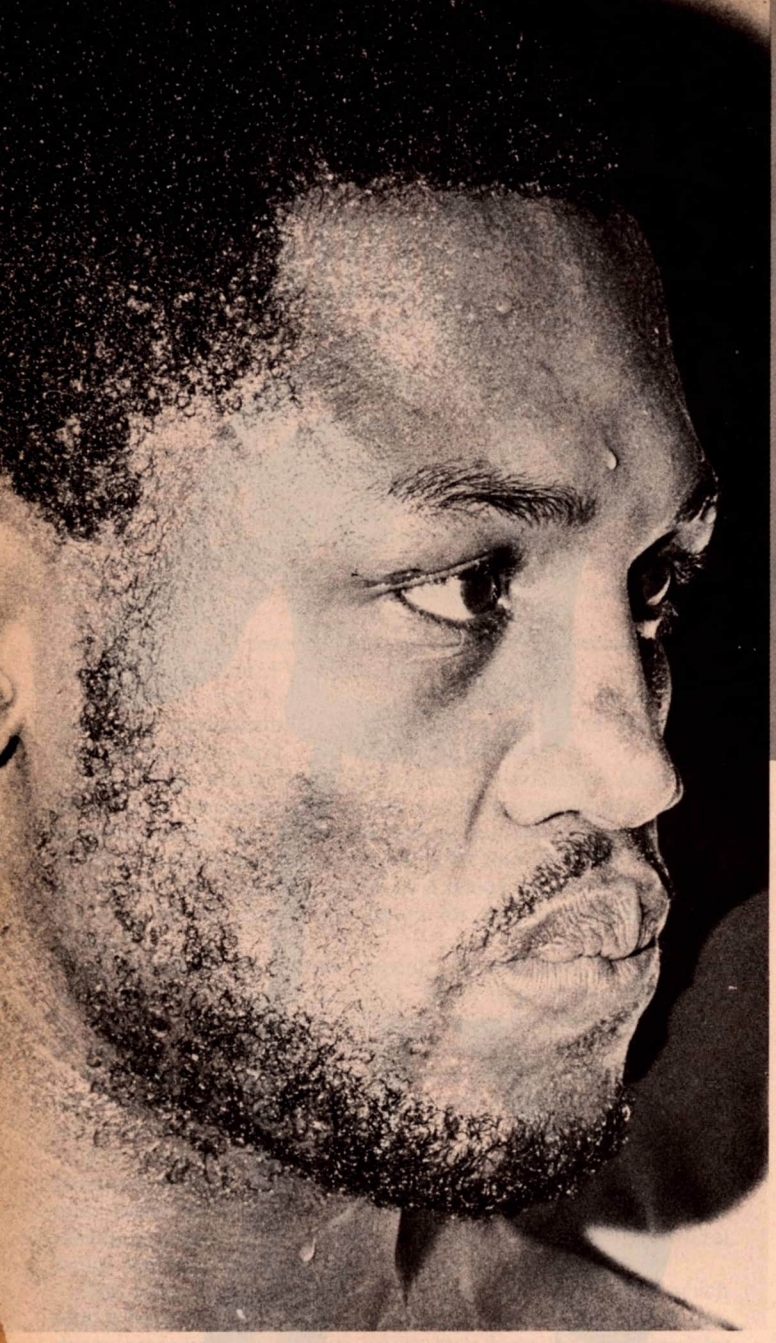
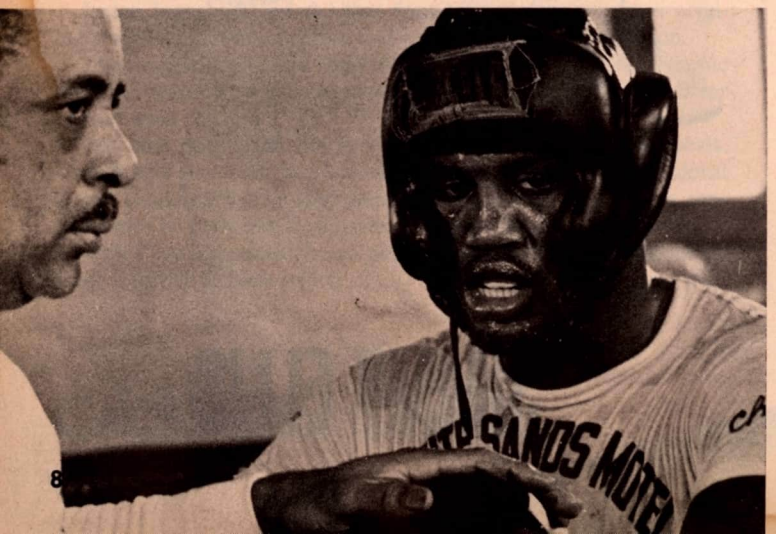
"HOW I WILL DESTROY ELLIS!"

By JOE FRAZIER



Above, we see a very determined Joe Frazier, who is extremely certain he "will destroy Jimmy Ellis" when they meet to settle matters between them. Below, trainer-manager Yank Durham adjusts Frazier's gloves during a training session. Durham says, "Ellis cannot stand pressure. I give him three rounds with Joe. Ellis will try to run but he won't have room."



I HAVE been asked by The Ring, which has been very fair in the heavyweight situation, to discuss, "How I Will Destroy Ellis," my suggested topic.

Destroy him I will. You may take that for granted. I say this with no desire to call anybody names, to minimize Jimmy's class as a contender, or to give the impression that he does not belong in the same ring with me.

The fact remains that Ellis was the winner of a tournament, in which he outclassed Jerry Quarry, Oscar Bonavena, Karl Mildenberger, Thad Spencer and Leotis Martin.

I refused to enter this tournament because I regarded it as strictly manufactured, with the main objective a big financial return for the promoters, and as many boxers as they could crowd into the elmination, eligible or not.

I refused to concede that some of the tournament entries were in my class.

The WBA, which approved the tournament, tried hard to insult me by rating me No. 7 among the Top Ten heavyweights.

This stupid action helped me. It drew greater attention to Joe Frazier, and started comparisons with the elmination field which did the WBA and the promoters no good at all.

Have you noticed that the promoters never have issued a statement of financial profits? Will they tell me again that I should have been in the tournament?

I will destroy Ellis as a heavyweight contender. And, if circumstances free Cassius Clay for a return to the ring, especially after his long layoff, I will dump him into the limbo of the discards. I am looking at Clay while I prepare for Ellis.

How will I destroy Ellis? If you saw me knock out Jerry Quarry in seven rounds, after taking everything he had in the first three minutes, if you saw this fight in Madison Square Garden or on closed *(Continued on page 10)*

"FRAZIER IS IN FOR A BIG SURPRISE!"

Ellis laughs as Frazier taunts him with "You're next!" in the Madison Square Garden ring after Frazier disposed of Jerry Quarry in seven rounds. Jimmy says that Joe "is in for a big surprise" when they meet.

By JIMMY ELLIS

JOE Frazier is in for a big surprise. He has not proved that he can beat my type of fighter.

Let me say one thing. I am the world's heavyweight champion, and Joe Frazier, who's been doing a lot of talking, is nothing but a challenger.

I'm not saying that Frazier is a bad fighter. He is a good one, strong and aggressive. But it doesn't matter to me if six states and some foreign countries want to call Frazier the heavyweight champion. I know better. Still, there is this controversy about the heavyweight championship. So I think the people would like to see a Frazier-Ellis match, and I'm the one right now who is looking to give it to them.

Frazier's talking about how he wants a little rest after beating Jerry Quarry. Well, at one time, after I beat Floyd Patterson and had to have surgery on my broken nose, I said I wanted a little rest—and people really thought I was scared of Frazier. But I just want everybody to know now that I'm ready *(Continued on page 11)*

"HOW I WILL DESTROY ELLIS!"

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circuit TV, you saw exactly how I will annihilate Ellis.

I don't know if you saw a quote from Joe Louis in the papers the day before I stopped Quarry—a game young man to whom I hated to do it.

Louis said, "The Frazier-Ellis fight will be no contest. Joe will not give Jimmy room enough in which to work his jabs, and his bobbing and weaving."

There you have the situation as I face it—and Ellis faces it.

I will crowd him. I will punch him. I will hurt him. I will take everything he has, and never let up. He is not a KO hitter.

Please note that I have scored 21 knockouts in 25 fights.

The only boxers who have lasted the limit with me were Bonavena twice, 10 rounds in New York and 15 in Philadelphia; and George Johnson, 10 rounds, in Los Angeles.

Bonavena is awkward, ungainly, hardly a smart fighter. But he is one of the strongest, stamina-loaded scrappers the ring has seen in many years. He has been beaten by Zora Folley, by Jose Giorgetti on a disqualification, by Ellis, and twice by me.

I refer you to the Ellis fight for Jimmy at his best and Bonavena at his mental worst, as he worked off the ropes.

The Ellis of the eliminations will not beat me. The Ellis of the tournament cannot stop me, and he would have to hang a KO on me to win.

I will demolish Jimmy as a contender with power, with stamina, with knowhow. I just have to revive the Quarry script.

Yank Durham, my trainer, and I agree on every point of strategy involved in the plan to bomb Ellis. Listen to Mr. Durham:

"When the bell rings, Joe will get right on top of Ellis. Joe will knock him out. He'll keep putting pressure on him. Ellis cannot stand pressure. I give him three rounds.

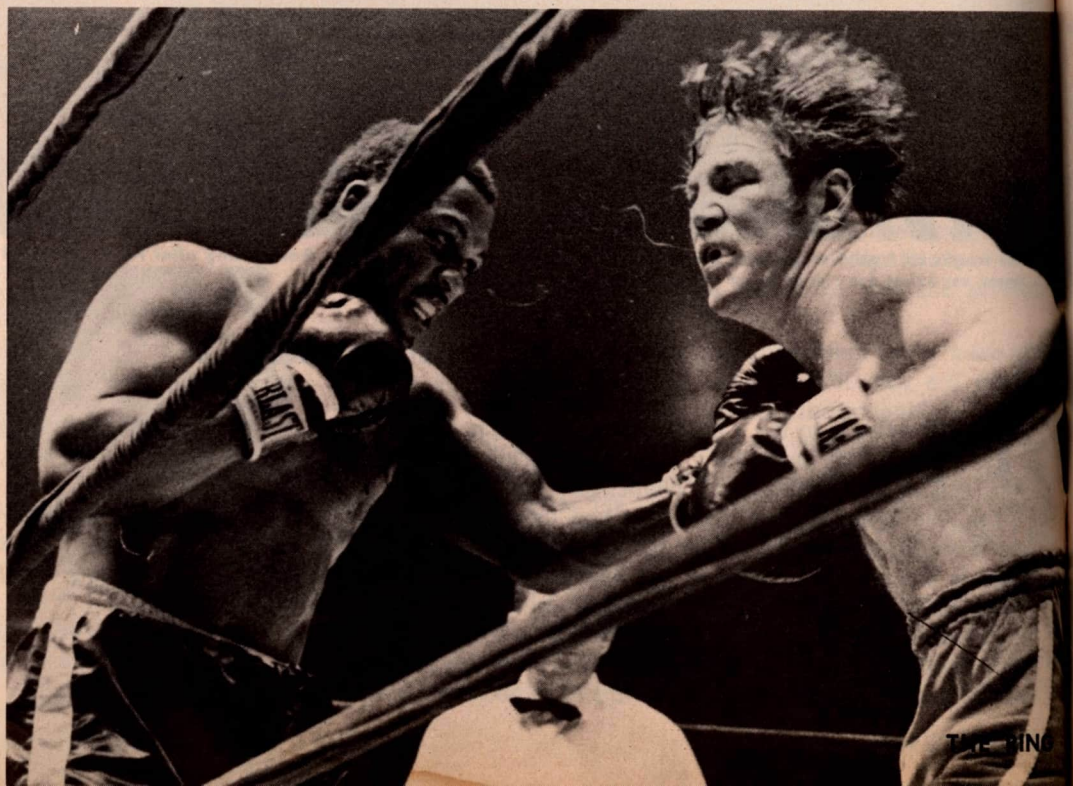
Here is Joe singing to friends and rooters at a homecoming celebration in Philadelphia after stopping Jerry Quarry in seven rounds.

" Joe won't give him a chance to run. He'll try to run, but he won't have room. He's a stuffed middleweight.

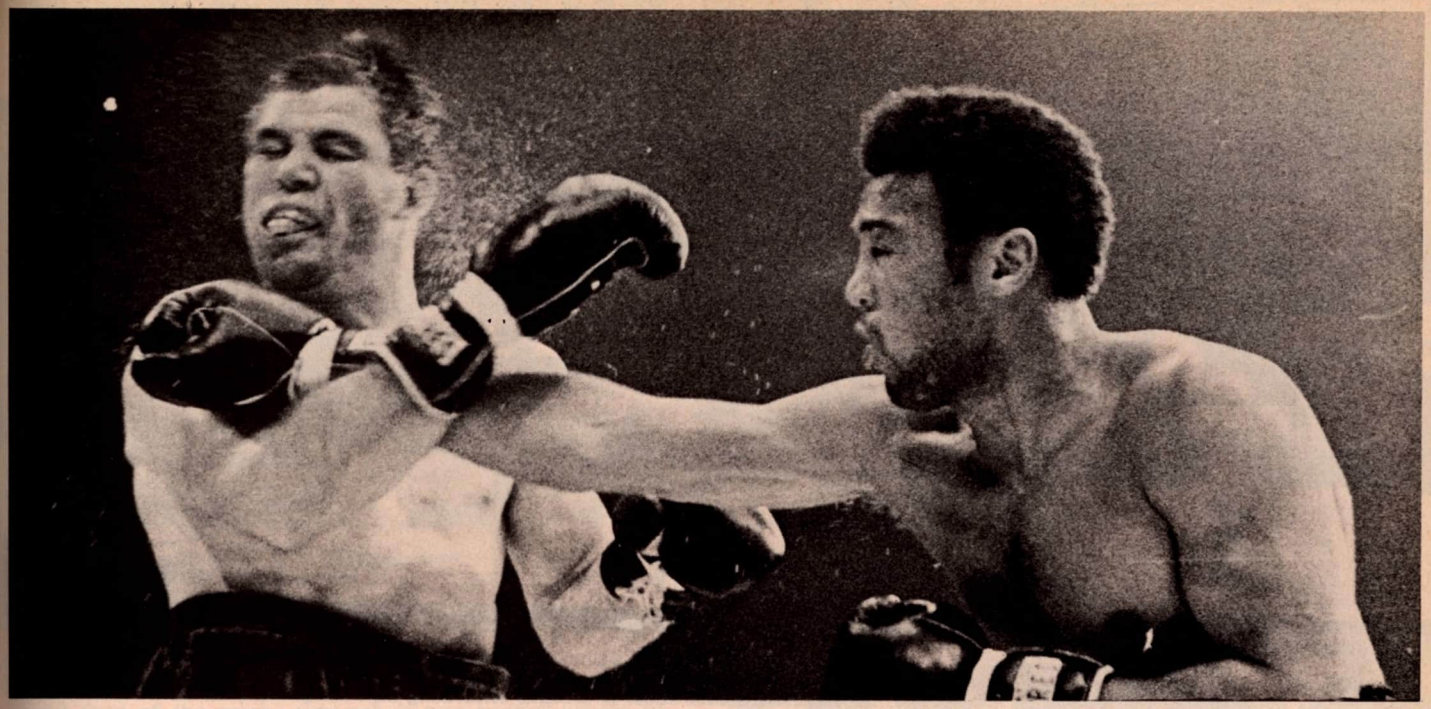
"Why has a bout with Ellis not been held to this point?

"A date was offered by Madison Square Garden for March 4. The Garden offered 37½ percent to Ellis, 27½ to Joe, a guarantee of $250,000 to Ellis and $205,000 to Frazier. Joe took it, even with the short end. Angelo Dundee turned it down for Ellis.

"When we were training for Dave Zyglewicz we received a telegram from the Astrodome *(Continued on page 61)*



Frazier scores with a hard left to the body of Jerry Quarry during the fourth round which makes the Californian's hair stand on end.



Ellis lands a vicious right to Quarry's jaw during the contest at Oakland, Calif., in which Jimmy decisioned Jerry in 15 rounds to gain recognition as the World Boxing Association heavyweight champion.

"FRAZIER IS IN FOR A BIG SURPRISE!"

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for Joe Frazier—but Joe Frazier, I think, is not ready for me.

I've seen Frazier fight five or six times on television. I saw him in person only once, when he fought Quarry. He's an aggressive fighter. He likes to come in and throw a lot of leather. I've watched this throughout his fights. He fights the same pattern.

To my way of thinking, this is the pattern:

He tries to wear down his man in the early rounds so he can move in for the kill in the later rounds. He's a Philadelphia style of fighter, always coming at you, rocking from side to side.

I'll beat Frazier by turning his strengths—aggressiveness, eagerness—into weaknesses. By that, I mean I'll make him fight my kind of fight.

I'm going to make him move in circles. I won't let him just sit still and throw his punches like he really wants to throw them. I expect to let him wear himself out in the early rounds.

I'm going to do what they call the counter after what he's been doing. I'm going to let him wear himself out in the early rounds. And then I'll come in the last rounds and burn him out.

I thought Quarry did a good thing in the first round of their fight. I could see him coming out and punching that way. He did it to let Frazier know, 'Don't come out and try to bulldoze me because I'm going to be here for a while.'

But after Quarry came back in the next round and the next round and kept repeating everything he did, well, then I saw Quarry was fighting a Frazier fight.

If Quarry had gone on and backed away like he should have, and counterpunched, and just let Frazier run into different shots, then I believe in the later rounds it would have told on Frazier. I say that because he tired badly when I saw him fight Oscar Bonavena. But Quarry went out there and stood toe to toe. Frazier didn't have to look for him. Jerry was just a sitting duck because that's Frazier's type of training. He trains hard for five- or six-round fighters, and tries to cut them down, you know. So I thought Quarry fought a Frazier fight after the first round.

I can tell you now that Jimmy Ellis won't fight a Frazier fight. I do like for the man to come to me. That way I know I won't have to look *(Continued on page 40)*

A happy Jimmy Ellis acknowledges the cheers of the multitude as his hand is raised in victory after defeating Quarry. His manager, Angelo Dundee, can be seen at the far left.

(Photo by Jeff Loubet)

This is a view of the outside of Jack Dempsey's Restaurant, at 1619 Broadway, in the heart of midtown Manhattan. Passersby can be seen perusing the many photos and plaques in the window. (Below) Here is Jack about to cut cake celebrating his 70th birthday as his wife, Deanna, and a friend, Irving Bottner, watch.

A DAY WITH MINE HOST JACK DEMPSEY

By DAN DANIEL

HOW does a one-time heavyweight champion of the world, laden with the highest honors and myriad distinctions, achieve the quiet life which is dictated by Father Time and circumstance, as he reaches for age 75?

The question was posed for Jack Dempsey, who was the undisputed king of the ring from July 4, 1919, when he stopped Jess Willard at Toledo, until September 23, 1926, when he was dethroned by Gene Tunney at Philadelphia.

We sat off in a corner of his restaurant at 1619 Broadway in New York. We were having a Spartan luncheon, he with a cup of coffee and a bun, the interviewer with a similar constraint in diet.

"I live a quiet, uneventful and happy life," Jack opened. "I no longer keep very close to the fight business. I know who is around and I have my ideas about these men. But I don't go to very many fights in Madison Square Garden. I try to keep pace with the heavies.

"This man Joe Frazier, who took out Jerry Quarry, is quite a puncher. Jimmy Ellis, winner of the elimination tournament, is clever and foxy.

"The best thing they can do is to stop talking and face each other in a ring. Sometimes there is too much conversation. The public is hot for the fight, so let's have it while the heat is on. It appears to have a strong bearing on the world championship.

"Cassius Clay? Well, don't you agree that he has been out too long?

"My pet peeve still concerns fight judges. I like the British system, which makes the referee the boss of the fight and the

(Left) Jack relaxes during a Christmas visit to Los Angeles with his two daughters, Joan (left) and Barbara, and two of his granddaughters. (Below) The Manassa Mauler checks on a platter before it reaches the customer.

(Photo by Jeff Loubet)

decision. Judges usually confuse the issue. A good third man in the ring needs no help."

Time was when Dempsey did a lot of refereeing of fights around the country. But he hasn't been active in that field for the last 10 years.

"I got tired of the work, although it was a good source of income," Jack said. "A big factor in my retirement from the work was local feeling. I figured that if I invaded an area I did some local referee out of a good job.

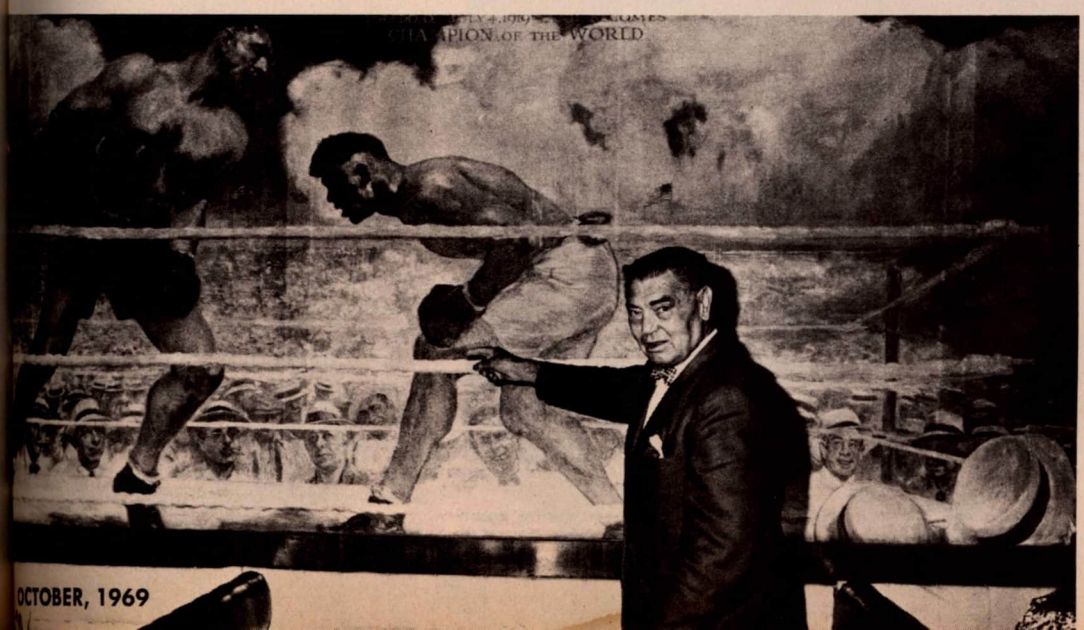
"How do I spend a typical day? Of course, that depends on where Deanna and I happen to be. We just came back from Europe, where I consulted medical authorities on arthritis, with the same old word—'No cure.'

"Mrs. Dempsey and I went to Italy to visit her folks. What a country, what a people! They know how to live, no matter from what stratum of life.

"I threw a big dinner for her Piatelli relatives and friends. There were 20 guests, we had about 40 different kinds of wine, the check came to $80. In the U.S., it would have run into the hundreds.

"Do I have any thoughts on the subject of inflation? Who doesn't? And what can we do about it? However, let's not talk national and international politics and policies. That kind of conversation inevitably leads to trouble."

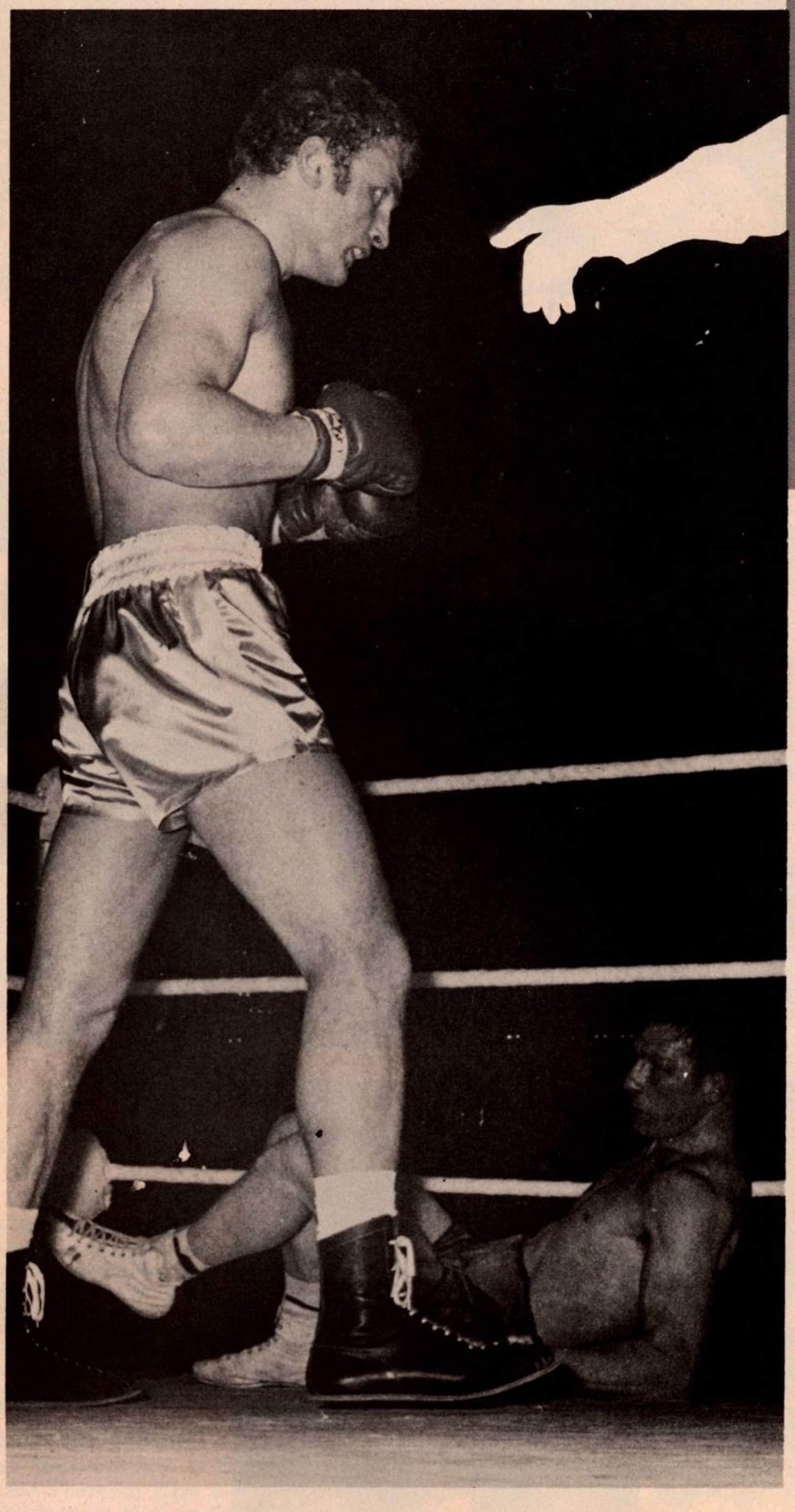
Jack's fourth marriage, to Deanna Piatelli, has been a thoroughly happy one. This makes up for the hectic nature of his three previous adventures in the matrimonial field, with Maxine Wayne, Estelle Taylor, of the *(Continued on page 57)*



Dempsey points out the famous mural that is displayed on a wall of the restaurant which depicts his winning the heavyweight championship of the world from Jess Willard at Toledo, O., on July 4, 1919.

(Photo by Jeff Loubet)

Bugner, 19, Born in Hungary, Britain's New Heavy Hope



Joe Bugner is waved to a neutral corner by the referee after knocking down Lion Venn of Belgium in the fifth round of their bout at Wembley. The ring official stopped the contest a few moments later.

By FRANK BUTLER

LONDON, England—The British lose Empires, but not hope! Seventy-two years ago a medium-built balding man named Bob Fitzsimmons knocked out Jim Corbett in Carson City, Nevada, to become the world heavyweight champion.

The Union Jack fluttered proudly over the British Isles because the freckle faced guy who stood under six feet and scaled only 167 pounds had been born 35 years earlier in Helston, Cornwall, in the south-west corner of England.

The fact that Fitzsimmons had been taken by his parents, when only a boy of nine, to New Zealand before moving to Australia and later to the Pacific Coast of America didn't matter. He was born in England and every Englishman is still proud of it.

Old Bob held the title for two years before Jim Jeffries took over as heavyweight king. For seventy years the British have been hoping for another Fitzsimmons. And what frustrating years they have been as their heavyweight idols like Phil Scott, Tommy Farr, Don Cockell, Brian London and Henry Cooper have all failed in world title bids.

The British still are undaunted, still hoping. It's ironical that their optimism is entrusted to a 19 year old lad standing 6 ft. 3½ ins., and weighing 220 pounds who wasn't even born in Britain!

His name is Joe Bugner. Unlike Fitzsimmons, who was evacuated from England as a boy, Bugner arrived in England as a seven year old gawky kid with his widowed mother—refugees from Russian troops who had invaded Budapest in the blood-bath that crushed Hungary's uprising

for freedom in 1956.

This handsome young blond giant with the ice-blue eyes has won 18 of his 19 professional fights—12 inside the distance. Recovering from a disastrous professional debut, in which he was knocked out, he is to be launched in the Fall as the latest British heavyweight hope.

He can already pack in the crowds and for one so young has a know-how of a much more mature fighter. He can box and has a powerful left jab and a fair left hook. He still has much to learn, and has yet to prove he can stand up to a punch of big league class.

Bugner was born at Szeged, a town near Budapest, on March 13, 1950. His father died when Joe was still a toddler.

Before the Hungarian rising was crushed his mother fled the country with her son and arrived in England a few weeks later. She settled in Bedford, a small town with a 67,000 population, 50 miles from London.

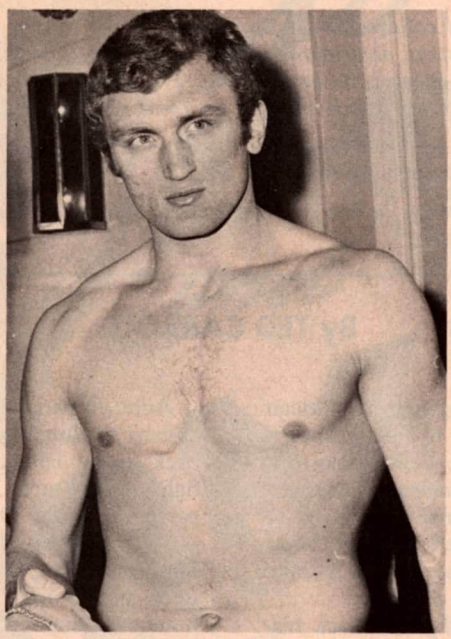
Joe went to a local school and began to make a name for himself among the other kids on field and track. He was bigger and stronger than any of the boys in his own class. Bigger, in fact, than most in several grades above him.

He excelled as a gymnast and discus thrower and went on to win the National Association of Boys Clubs discus championship setting an All-England schools record with a throw of 182 feet.

He had become a physical culturist, and fitness is a bug with him. After training sessions he finishes with upstarts or a standing backward somersault. He is amazingly light on his feet for one so big.

Bugner didn't take up boxing until he was thirteen. He sat with his mother in their small Bedford home in 1963 watching a European championship fight on television. The attraction was that the defending champion was Laszlo Papp, the famous Hungarian who was three times Olympic champion, and the only boxer the Communists allowed to fight for a professional title. Papp stopped the British middleweight champion in 15 rounds in Vienna to retain the European crown. Young Joe then and there determined to become a fighter.

Because of his size, though he was a junior, he sometimes found himself boxing seniors among the amateurs. As an unpaid performer he had 14 bouts losing three—once to experienced Billy Wells in the quarter finals of the National Championships. Twice he was stopped by a far more experienced lad named Cullen.



Here is a closeup of the 19-year-old Hungarian-born heavyweight, who stands 6-3½ and weighs 220.

Bugner moved to the town of St. Ives in the County of Huntingdonshire—seventy miles from London, with a population of only 5,000 and not to be confused with the better known St. Ives in Cornwall, not far from old Fitzsimmons' birthplace.

Also living at St. Ives is Andy Smith, a canny 43-year-old Scot, who once fought as a welterweight. Smith, though a business man and a director of a haulage firm, was also a small-time fight manager and trainer. He looked after three local fighters, all brothers, Monty, Mick and Winston Laud.

Smith, not a get-rich-quick merchant as far as boxing is concerned, saw in the lanky amateur a great prospect. He signed him up, but deliberately avoided publicity because he didn't want the "Golden Boy" tag that was given to Billy Walker, who earned more than $600,000 without ever winning a title, labeled on Joe Bugner. Smith still goes out of his way to prevent silly interviews and gimmicks.

Bugner was launched as a professional without any build-up on one of those club-nights that boxing in Britain is falling back on so much these days. He was a six-rounder at the Anglo-American Club at the Hilton Hotel which stands in London's Park Lane.

Beneath the glittering chandeliers and amid the tuxedos, the soup and fish and the champagne, big Bugner climbed into the ring against a guy named Paul Brown, a Jamaican now living in Birmingham.

Andy Smith was anxious but confident. Though the kid was a complete novice and unknown to members and guests, he was being watched closely by Mickey Duff and Harry Levene, both hoping he would be the boy to boost boxing after Henry

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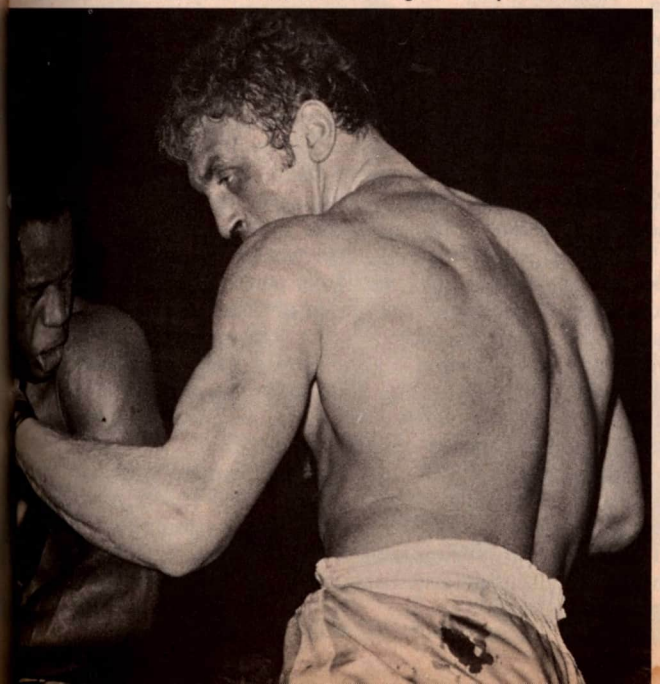
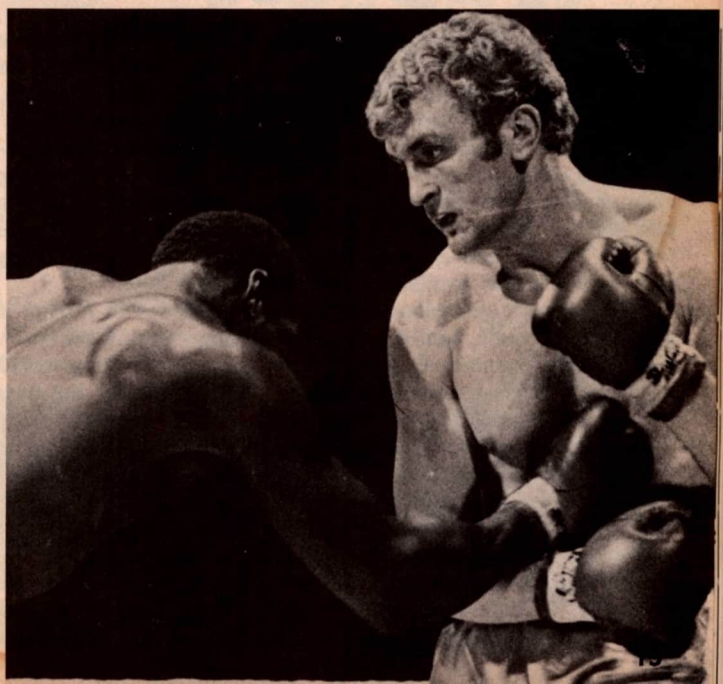
Ulrich Regis (left), heavyweight from Trinidad, winces as he takes a hard left to the jaw from Bugner in the eighth and last round of their contest at Shoreditch Hall, London. Bugner easily won decision.



Bugner takes a right from American Moses Harrell during their bout at Manchester. Putting on a very strong finish, Bugner outpointed the man from Miami Beach.



BEGINNING IN THIS ISSUE

THE AMERICAN BLACK MAN AND BOXING

DEMANDS made on many American colleges to set up courses in the history of the American Negro, and his achievements in literature, commerce, invention, entertainment, the professions and boxing have met with widespread responses. Approached on the subject of the Black Man and boxing, The Ring decided to make an admittedly tardy summation of the Negro's place in the Sour Science, from Bill Richmond to Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis.

Herewith is the start of a series dealing with the Negro's achievements in boxing, written and illustrated by the most competent man for the job, nationally famous cartoonist-writer Ted Carroll.

The Ring is certain that as this series expands, it will offer interesting information and hitherto undisclosed revelations for all readers of this magazine.

By TED CARROLL

A re-examination of the role of the Negro in American history has become a major factor in the readjustment of racial relations in the United States. New disclosures of the part played by the Black Man in the making of America are constantly forthcoming and as the movement continues to gain momentum, added revelations are doubtless in store. Most of this information comes as a surprise to the general public, until recently completely unaware of the facts presented.

For better or worse, down through the years, the Black history most publicized and familiar to the mass American public has involved the Negro's exploits in the ring. The seismic tremors of Jack Johnson's career continue to reverberate and Joe Louis remains the great Colored folk hero of the American people.

The reason for this is quite obvious. For many decades boxing afforded the only avenue of escape by the Black Man from the suffocating anonymity of repression imposed upon him by social conditions.

The world of entertainment offered some release, but even here the Negro's talents were circumscribed until fairly recently. In almost any other field, including all other professional sports, Black exclusion was part of the country's social pattern.

While their participation in boxing was not without its inequities, particularly during the period following Johnson's becoming champion in 1908, Negroes were able to rise to the top in this profession by becoming world champions and gaining world-wide fame in the process. Along with this repute came financial gain far exceeding that available to them anywhere else.

The comparative welcome extended to Negroes in boxing is a puzzling anomaly, considering the punishing aspect of the sport. One would imagine that due to its bodily contact, boxing would have been the last instead of the first sport to lower the bars to inter-racial competition, but the reverse has been true. Boxing under the Marquis of Queensberry rules appears to engender respect rather than hatred between opponents and the effect of the sport in this country, save for the Johnson era, has been towards racial amity rather than friction.

Bonds of friendship between ring rivals of different races have been strong and sincere. Former opponents of Louis never have anything but kind words for Joe.

Another paradox of pugilism has been the eagerness of Caucasians to direct or sponsor Black aspirants in the ring, dating back to the 18th century, when Bill Richmond, the first Black fighter of record, appeared in the British prize ring under the patronage of the Duke of Northumberland.

Richmond was truly fortune's favorite. When British General Percy, later the Duke, arrived in his native Yorkshire, England, upon his return from the American Revolution in 1777, he numbered among his spoils of war the young son of a Negro slave woman appropriated from the chattels of a New York City minister, of all people. The Duke took such a liking to the lad that he gave him the upbringing of a member of the nobility.

The boy adapted readily to this genteel life; learning his lessons well in the exclusive school to which the Duke's prestige had gained him admittance. The Duke further indulged the lad by dressing him in the finest clothes, which he wore with elegance. Everything went fine in the community where, Negroes being oddities, young Richmond became a local favorite. This happy situation developed some flaws as the young man entered the romantic years and began to engage in flirtations with town belles who responded favorably to his attentions.

This development was ill-received by British soldiers stationed in the town and finally one of them, one Docky Moore, after tongue-lashing the Duke's young ward, set upon him physically, sending him home weeping to the Duke.

Enraged by the attack, and provoked by his youthful ward's docility in the face of it, the Duke peremptorily ordered the lad to challenge the soldier upon pain of lashing if he refused to do so. Faced with this choice young Richmond did as the Duke requested and gave the soldier such a thorough thrashing, that the town bully, a brawling blacksmith, resentful of the Negro's gay attire and popularity with the ladies, took it upon himself to avenge the battered redcoat.

His challenge was for a public 'prize fight' with side bets at a spot in the town known as The Groves. The huge blacksmith proved no match for Richmond, and was thoroughly battered. The Duke after 'yelling himself hoarse' at the bout and collecting his winning bets enthusiastically decided to train his young bondsman for the ring.

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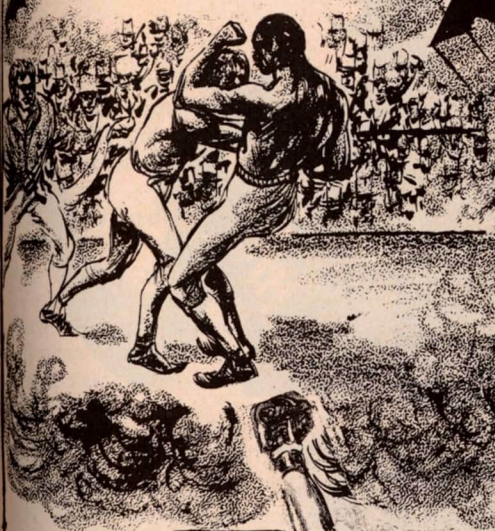
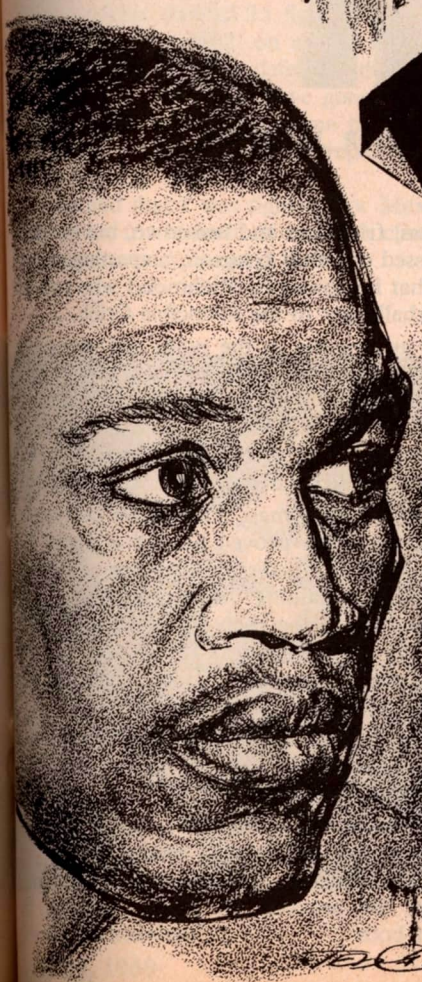
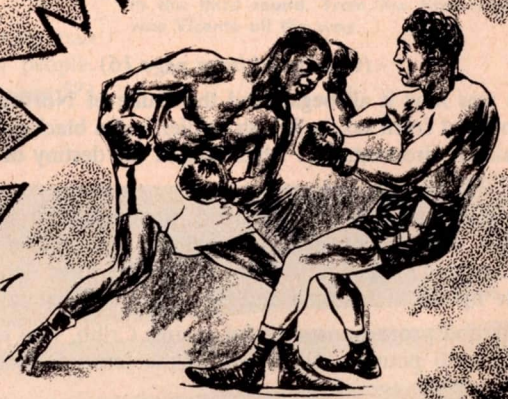
From RICHMOND and.. MOLYNEAUX to CLAY and FRAZIER



MOLYNEAUX.. "THE FIRST AMERICAN CHAMPION" AND THE 55 WORLDS CHAMPIONS WHO FOLLOWED.. FORM AN EXCITING AND IMPORTANT CHAPTER IN "BLACK HISTORY"!!!





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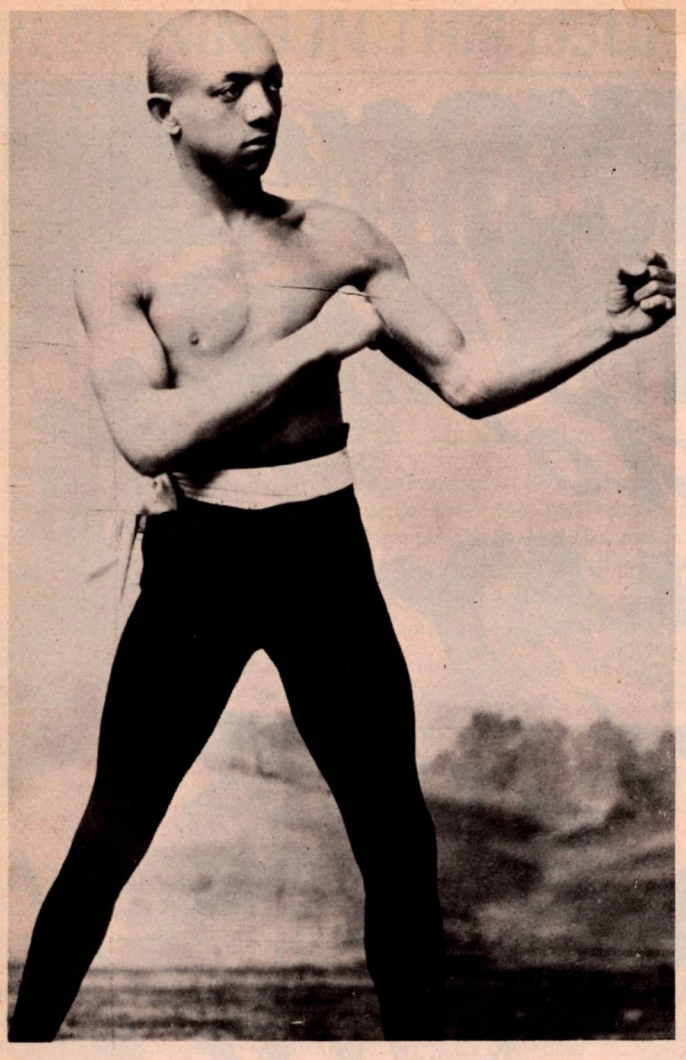

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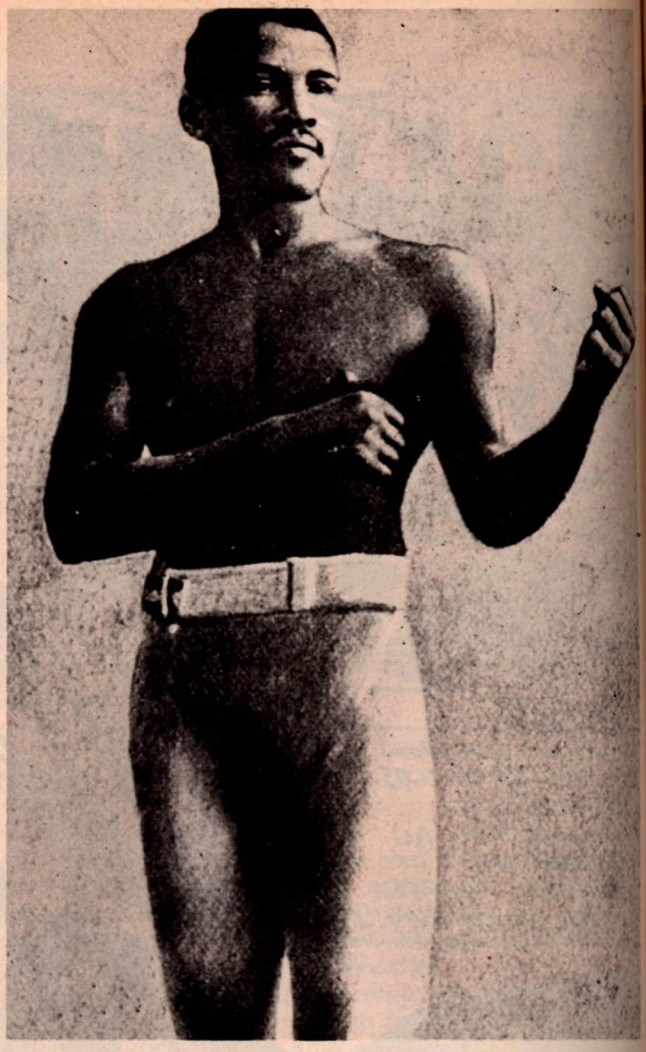

PETER JACKSON

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This was how it all began and the Duke of Northumberland, with an assist from sex, a British soldier and a blacksmith, forged the chain of circumstances which linked the destiny of the Black Man to boxing.

Despite his small size, Richmond, fighting under the aegis of the Duke, disposed of lesser opposition so handily he eventually faced England's legendary Tom Cribb, the most famous bare-knuckle fighter of his time and champion of England.

Richmond proved unsuccessful against Cribb, who outweighed him some 30 pounds. According to the journal "Boxiana," he fought until the age of 50.

Along with his boxing reputation, Richmond's manners and urbanity were so decorous and he was held in such high esteem that he spent his final years as the proprietor of a London sporting inn frequented by the well born and the aristocratic patrons of various sports. He passed on, respected and admired by all, on December 28, 1829, at the age of 66.

England remained the seat of boxing in the early 19th Century. The Black fighter who followed Richmond, Tom Molyneaux, is sometimes referred to as the first American champion. He was a former Virginia slave who on the strength of his fighting ability against other slaves in plantation scuffles had in some manner earned his freedom and, equally mysteriously, made his way to England, where he appeared in 1809.

Tom landed penniless, friendless and unknown, but his imposing physique so impressed one Bob Gregson, a sporting man and coffee house owner, that he contacted Richmond who took him in hand as a possible challenger to the invincible Cribb.

The two men were as opposite as the poles and strong arguments for the theory that environment is the decisive determinant in the course of life. Richmond had been reared as an aristocrat and showed it. On the other hand, Molyneaux had come out of American slavery, untutored and undisciplined, and these were the chains of his bondage which he was never able to break.

Unlike his mentor he was a big man, a legitimate heavyweight, and in preliminary contests soon proved himself a worthy rival for the British champion. Richmond's prestige was so great that Molyneaux had no difficulty gaining the necessary backing for a match with Cribb and when the men met on December 18, 1810, wagering was heavy on both sides. The match was fought under the archaic London Prize Ring Rules which had little resemblance to the Queensberry code followed today.

The fiercely contested struggle ended in the 33rd round in a welter of pandemonium not unlike a present-day soccer riot, with Cribb being declared the winner.

On the basis of this confused conclusion to the first meeting, Molyneaux asked for and received another chance at Cribb. Not even the persuasive Richmond was able to convince the unmanageable Molyneaux of the necessity of proper condition. He showed his disdain for both *(Continued on page 44)*

SALDIVAR SUPERB IN BEATING LEGRA AFTER LONG LAYOFF

By DON FRASER

LOS Angeles, Calif—Out of the ring for 20 months because of self imposed retirement, former world featherweight king Vicente Saldivar showed early signs of rust. But the rust was gone after four rounds of his 10-rounder with Spain's Jose Legra. The stocky 26-year-old Mexican rallied to grab off a unanimous decision at the Forum.

The highly partisan predominantly Mexican crowd, which numbered 14,336 and paid $112,027, went wild when Saldivar shifted into high gear in the fifth round and chased after Legra the remaining rounds to sew up the verdict.

Legra, title contender, fast and accurate with his punching, took the first four rounds, which included a knockdown in the third.

Saldivar was on the move with his hands low when he was nailed flush on the chin with a right. Saldivar was up at the count of one and quickly shook off the effects of the blow.

Knowing the only way to win was to march straight ahead, Saldivar took charge and soon had the Cuban exile slowing down.

During the late rounds, Legra was guilty of holding and using his head as a battering ram. He was warned several times by referee John Thomas. Saldivar ended up with a cut on his head which he said was from a butt.

Thomas scored it 8-3, judge Lee Grossman 7-4 and judge Rudy Jordan, 6-4.

Saldivar, who challenges Johnny Famechon, of Australia, for his world title, weighed 127½. Legra, former holder of the European version of the title, tipped in at 127.

Promoter George Parnassus has tendered a $70,000 offer to Ambrose Palmer, Famechon's manager, to risk his title against Saldivar at the Forum in the fall.

Back in the running for the title he gave up after he had knocked out Howard Winstone in the 12th round on October 14, 1967, Vicente stood out as comebacks seldom do.

He beat Legra with almost as much stuff as he would have shown had he not taken that long layoff.

Now Saldivar showed 35 fights, with 25 KOs, 8 decisions and only one loss, and that a doubtful one, in 1962, on a supposed foul against Baby Luis at Cuatro Caominos.

As champion, Saldivar defended the title successfully seven times, with a take of more than $300,000. He could have gone on seven more times, for another $300,000. Why had he retired? Why had he cme back?

"Why did I retire?" Saldivar repeated. "There was no one to fight. Money? It never was my primary objective.

"I was told that I was fighting for Mexico. That was not so. A professional ring man fights always for himself. You don't climb through the ropes to fight for your people. If you get beaten you are a bum.

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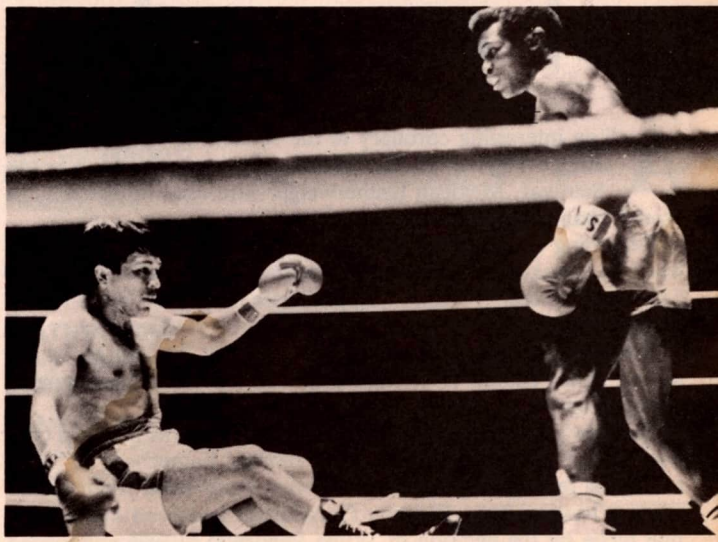
(Above) An ecstatic Vicente Saldivar is lifted in the air by one of his handlers after receiving the decision over Jose Legra in their Los Angeles' 10-rounder. (Bottom left) Saldivar rams a hard straight left to the chin of Legra early in the battle. (Below) Saldivar, the retired featherweight king making a comeback, is about to hit the deck in the third round. From the fifth round on, it was Vicente all the way.



WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 20, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas
1—**JOE FRAZIER**, Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**JIMMY ELLIS**, Louisville, Ky.
3—**SONNY LISTON**, Las Vegas, Nev.
4—**JERRY QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Cal.
5—**OSCAR BONAVENA**, Argentina
6—**LEOTIS MARTIN**, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—**HENRY COOPER**, England
8—**MAC FOSTER**, Fresno, Calif.
9—**BUSTER MATHIS**, Grand Rapids, Mich.
10—**AL JONES**, Perrine, Fla.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1—**DICK TIGER**, Biafra
2—**MARK TESSMAN**, Houston, Texas
3—**RAY ANDERSON**, Akron, Ohio
4—**YVAN PREBEG**, Yugoslavia
5—**JIMMY DUPREE**, Jersey City, N.J.
6—**BOB DUNLOP**, Australia
7—**EDDIE AVOTH**, Wales
8—**HAL CARROLL**, Syracuse, N. Y.
9—**ANDY KENDALL**, Portland, Ore.
10—**GREGORIO PERALTA**, Argentina

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NINO BENVENUTI, Italy
1—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ**, Miami Beach, Fla.
2—**FREDDIE LITTLE**, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—**EMILE GRIFFITH**, New York, N.Y.
4—**JUAN CARLOS DURAN**, Italy
5—**DON FULLMER**, West Jordan, Utah
6—**DENNY MOYER**, Portland, Ore.
7—**FRASER SCOTT**, Seattle, Wash.
8—**STAN HAYWARD**, Philadelphia, Pa.
9—**TOM BOGS**, Denmark
10—**DOYLE BAIRD**, Akron, O.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1—**MANUEL GONZALEZ**, Odessa, Texas
2—**HEDGEMON LEWIS**, Detroit, Mich.
3—**CURTIS COKES**, Dallas, Texas
4—**PERCY PUGH**, New Orleans, La.
5—**ERNIE LOPEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
6—**RAUL SORIANO**, Mexico
7—**JOHANN ORSOLICS**, Austria
8—**MIGUEL BARRETO**, Puerto Rico
9—**JERRY PELLEGRINI**, New Orleans, La.
10—**BILLY BACKUS**, Syracuse, N.Y.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina
1—**BRUNO ARCARI**, Italy
2—**JOAO HENRIQUE**, Brazil
3—**ADOLPH PRUITT**, St. Louis, Mo.
4—**GERMAN GASTELBONDO**, Colombia
5—**TURK KAMACI**, Austria
6—**EDDIE PERKINS**, Chicago, Ill.
7—**EUGENIO ESPINOZA**, Ecuador
8—**BARRERA CORPAS**, Spain
9—**HORACIO SALDANO**, Argentina
10—**PEDRO ADIGUE**, Philippines

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.
1—**ISMAEL LAGUNA**, Panama
2—**PEDRO CARRASCO**, Spain
3—**KEN BUCHANAN**, Scotland
4—**JAGUAR KAKIZAWA**, Japan
5—**ARTURO LOMELI**, Mexico
6—**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ**, Dominican Rep.
7—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ**, Venezuela
8—**FRANKIE NARVAEZ**, Puerto Rico
9—**CARLOS ARO**, Argentina
0—**CHANGO CARMONA**, Mexico

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan
1—**YOSHIAKI NUMATA**, Japan
2—**ALTON COLTER**, Phoenix, Ariz.
3—**RENE BARRIENTOS**, Philippines
4—**RUBEN NAVARRO**, Los Angeles, Cal.
5—**ANTONIO AMAYA**, Panama
6—**RICARDO LESCANO**, Argentina
7—**CARLOS CAÑETE**, Argentina
8—**ALFREDO MARCANO**, Venezuela
9—**GODFREY STEVENS**, Chile
10—**SILVERO ORTIZ**, Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOHNNY FAMECHON, Australia
1—**SHOZO SAIJYO**, Japan
2—**VICENTE SALDIVAR**, Mexico
3—**DWIGHT HAWKINS**, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—**CRUZ MARCANO**, Venezuela
5—**JOSE LEGRA**, Spain
6—**FIGHTING HARADA**, Japan
7—**FELIPE TORRES**, Los Angeles, Cal.
8—**JIMMY REVIE**, England
9—**NOBUO CHIBA**, Japan
10—**FERNANDO SOTELO**, Mexico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
LIONEL ROSE, Australia
1—**RUBEN OLIVARES**, Mexico
2—**CHUCHO CASTILLO**, Mexico
3—**ALAN RUDKIN**, England
4—**TAKAO SAKURAI**, Japan
5—**SALVATORE BURRUNI**, Italy
6—**RUDY ALARCON**, Philippines
7—**KATSUYOSHI TAKAYAMA**, Japan
8—**KAZUYOSHI KANAZAWA**, Japan
9—**LEO CALDERON**, Mexico
10—**JULIO GUERRERO**, Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALACRAN EFREN TORRES, Mexico
1—**HIROYUKI EBIHARA**, Japan
2—**BERKRERK CHARTVANCHAI**, Thailand
3—**RATON MOJICA**, Nicaragua
4—**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI**, Thailand
5—**BERNABE VILLACAMPO**, Philippines
6—**FERMIN GOMEZ**, Mexico
7—**SUSUMU HANAGATA**, Japan
8—**OCTAVIO GOMEZ**, Mexico
9—**JOSE SEVERINO**, Brazil
10—**ERBITO SALAVARRIA**, Philippines

VICENTE SALDIVAR FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

AS an interesting corollary to the revised world ratings, The Ring's Fighter of the Month citation goes to Vicente Saldivar, Mexican featherweight who used to be the 126-pound champion of the world.

Returning to action for the first time since October 14, 1967, when he knocked out Howard Winstone in 12 rounds in Mexico City and retired, Vicente whipped Jose Legra in a 10-round engagement.

Saldivar's success was so pronounced that he had to be returned to the ratings in so high a spot as No. 2, behind Japan's Shozo Saijyo.

Saldivar's spectacular showing against Legra was in sharp contrast to the recent performance of Johnny Famechon, of Australia, the featherweight champion, who, from some reports, had taken a beating from Fighting Harada but had been kept in the title niche by the decision of Willie Pep, who at first announced a draw.

The Ring announced that because of George Chuvalo's failure to protect his location among the Top Ten heavyweights, the Canadian had been dropped.

His place has been awarded to Al Jones, of Florida. Buster Mathis, also charged with inactivity, has been demoted from No. 7 to No. 9, with Jones 10th.

The Ring continues to recognize Cassius Clay as the world champion, but concedes that Clay's position has been made more precarious by Federal Judge Joe Ingraham's affirmation of the original sentence of five years and a fine of $10,000 for failure to honor an Army draft.

The heavyweight ratings of The Ring show Joe Frazier as the No. 1 contender, with Jimmy Ellis No. 2, and Sonny Liston, minus a New York license, No. 3.

The light heavyweight ratings show the return of Yvan Prebeg, Yugoslavia, to the list, as No. 4.

Jimmy Ralston, hitherto No. 8, has been dropped because of his mysterious defection from a New York fight with Jose Torres, after having weighed in.

The junior lightweight list shows Alton Colter moving into the No. 2 spot over Rene Barrientos after the latter was beaten by Adolph Pruitt. Silvero Ortiz of Mexico is now No. 10.

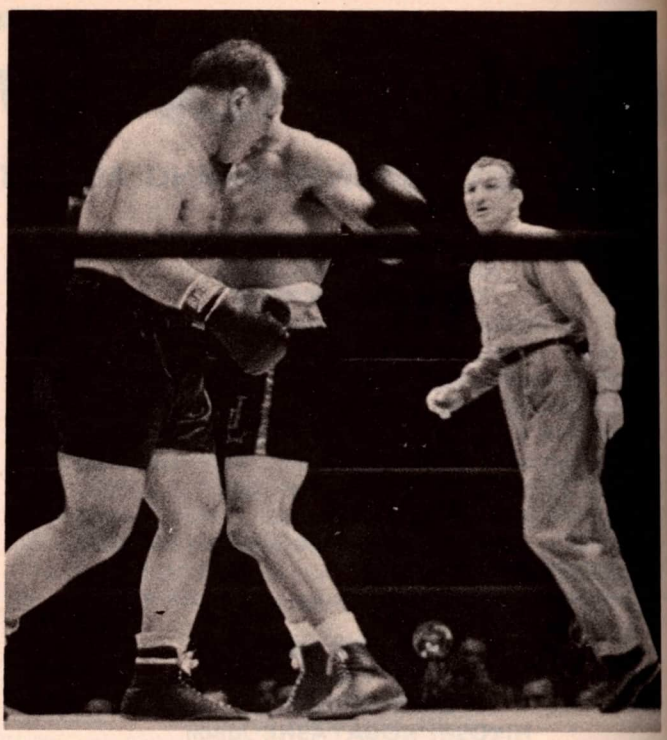
The welterweight rankings show the serious ill effects of defeat. Curtis Cokes, dethroned as the class champion by Jose Napoles, who stopped the Dallas fighter twice in succession, has been dropped to No. 3 contender, with Manny Gonzalez No. 1 and Hedgemon Lewis No. 2.

Ismael Laguna has been lifted to No. 1, behind champion Mando Ramos, with Pedro Carrasco reduced to No. 2 and Ken Buchanan promoted to No. 3, in the lightweight comparisons.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Harry Daniels Beaumont, Texas	2/69	5	5	0	0	5
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Jeff Shaw England	6/68	11	10	1	0	8
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Richie Sudol Jersey City, N.J.	10/68	6	6	0	0	2
WELTERWEIGHT						
David Oropeza Phoenix, Ariz.	4/69	6	6	0	0	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Ray Mercado Puerto Rico	2/69	6	6	0	0	1
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Terry Rondeau Pittsfield, Mass.	3/69	8	8	0	0	2
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Jose Ozuna Dominican Republic.	1/69	9	9	0	0	5
FLYWEIGHT						
Arturo Hernandez (Leon) Mexico	5/68	19	19	0	0	18

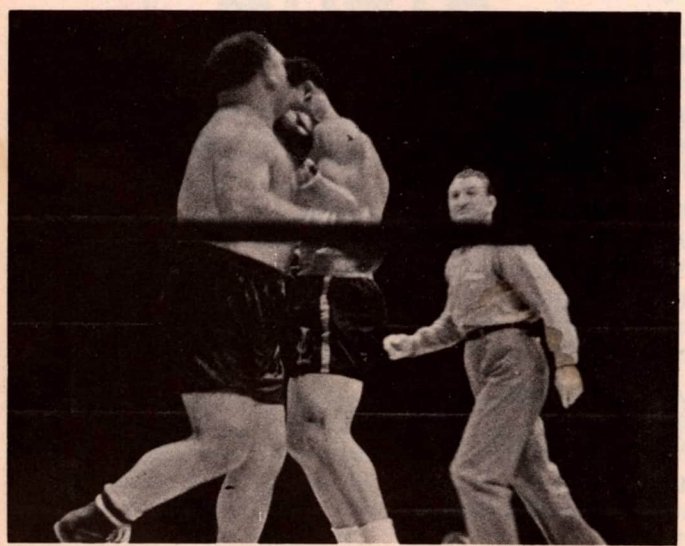
This is the beginning of the end for Two Ton Tony Galento in Round Four against heavyweight king Joe Louis on the night of June 28, 1939, at New York's Yankee Stadium.



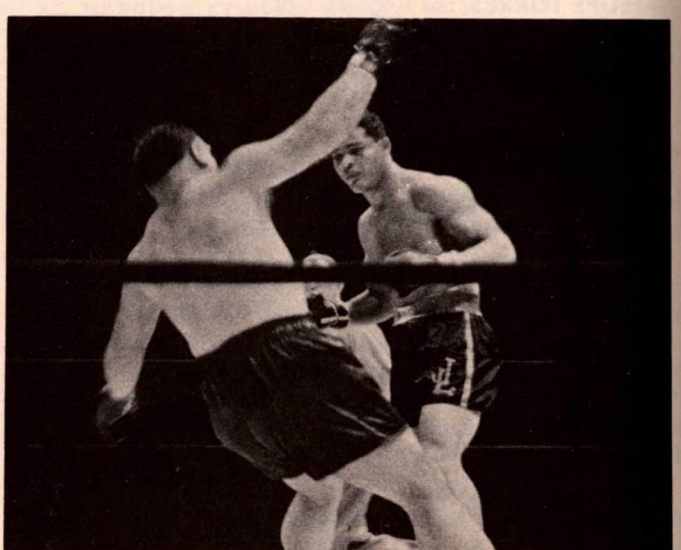
Louis is about to connect with a crushing left after having pounded the Jersey Nightstick with a barrage of blows with both hands to the head.

THUD OF LOUIS ON RING DECK AGAINST TWO TON STILL HEARD

Here is the point of impact—flush on Galento's jaw. It was one of the hardest blows the Detroit Brown Bomber ever landed.



Like a huge oak tree, Two Ton Tony begins his journey to the canvas as Louis regards his handiwork.



By GEORGE GIRSCH

IT happened 30 years ago in Yankee Stadium—on the night of June 28, 1939, to be precise. And being precise, to the very vagrant punch, is something boxing recording demands.

That was the night Joe Louis, before he knocked out Two Ton Tony Galento in 2 min. 29 sec. of the fourth round, was decked by a left hook to the jaw early in the third heat. Joe took the shortest possible count, only one. He could have taken nine but his pride as well as his jaw was hurt.

On arising, Louis was wobbly. He backpedaled, he held, he indicated strongly that he had been hurt, and might have found himself in a truly precarious position in his seventh defense of the world heavyweight title he had won from Jimmy Braddock in Chicago on June 22, 1937, if Tony had known more about fighting and had been able to press his advantage.

Let it be noted, not merely in passing, that Louis had floored Two Ton Tony with a right to the jaw toward the close of the second round. Galento came back surprisingly strong and confident in the third.

Time—a full generation of it—has dealt kindly with this fight. It has festooned it with classic ivy.

It has been endowed with an aura which sometimes decorates fistic encounters of the long ago, and gives them a high dramatic quality they may have lacked while they were being written into ring history.

Some painters of the more florid murals of boxing refer to this fight as a danger point in the career of Joe Louis.

Some tellers of tales insist that insofar as jeopardy for Joe was concerned, the knockdown was pictured far out of focus, and built into something which it scarcely assumed that June night 30 years ago.

Louis always has given merited credit to Galento, but he steadfastly has refused to concede that the rotund heavy from Jersey had him on Queer Street.

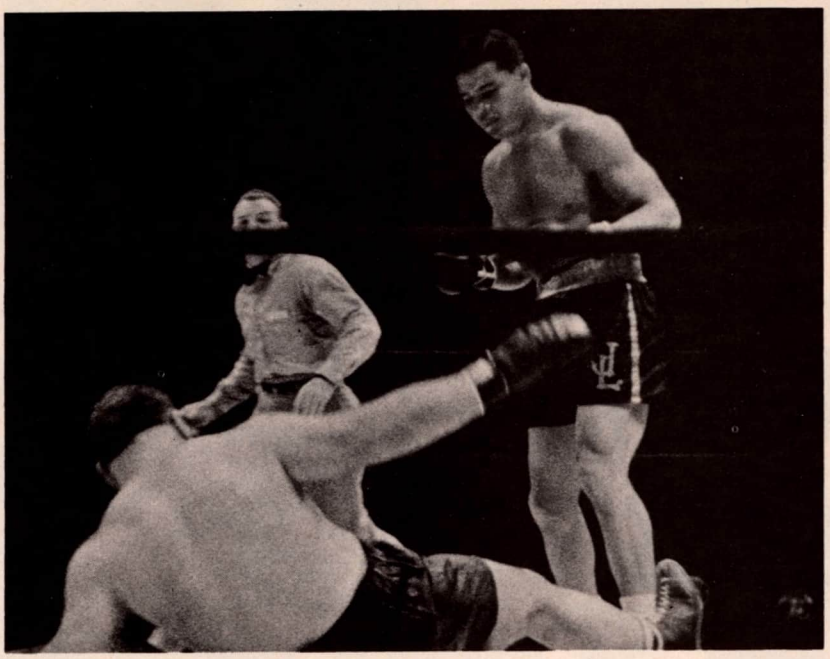
"He hurt me," Louis has admitted, "but he did not come anywhere near taking the title from me. You saw what happened in the fourth round, when Arthur Donovan was kind enough to Tony to stop it."

Galento was out for five minutes after he had been belted woozy by rights and lefts to the head. There was fear in his corner that night. The 233¾-pound barrel-shaped Galento was not geared for that kind of sustained punishment.

"I got careless," Tony said after he had recovered. "I want another crack at him."

Galento was beaten not because he was careless. There was no rematch because there was no doubt in the minds of the vast percentage of the 34,852 customers, referee Donovan, and judges Bill Healy and George Lecron that the Two Ton person would be no more successful if he had another half dozen shots at the champion.

Let this not be seen as a derogation of Galento, who went into the Yankee Stadium ring an 8 to 1 underdog, with scarcely any betting in the customary marts. He came out of the 11 min. 29 sec. of action a fabled fistic St. George. The dragon, if not subdued, seemingly had been on the verge of extinction.



Galento hits the floor, but hard, his right arm outstretched, a groggy victim of one of the heaviest hitters ever seen in the ring.

Louis had two 1939 fights before he met Tony. Joe stopped John Henry Lewis, the sight-impaired light heavy champion, in one round, and took less than three minutes to deal just as harshly with Jack Roper.

The experts felt that Galento would be scarcely a more formidable antagonist for Louis.

But now and then the underdog will rise up and growl, and strike hard for recognition and a better crack at the feed bowl.

Tony made that bold effort, and exceeded himself, his backers' expectations, and the fondest hopes of a strongly sympathetic fight public from Broadway, N.Y., to Hollywood, and around the world to Piccadilly Circus.

During Galento's training for the fight he

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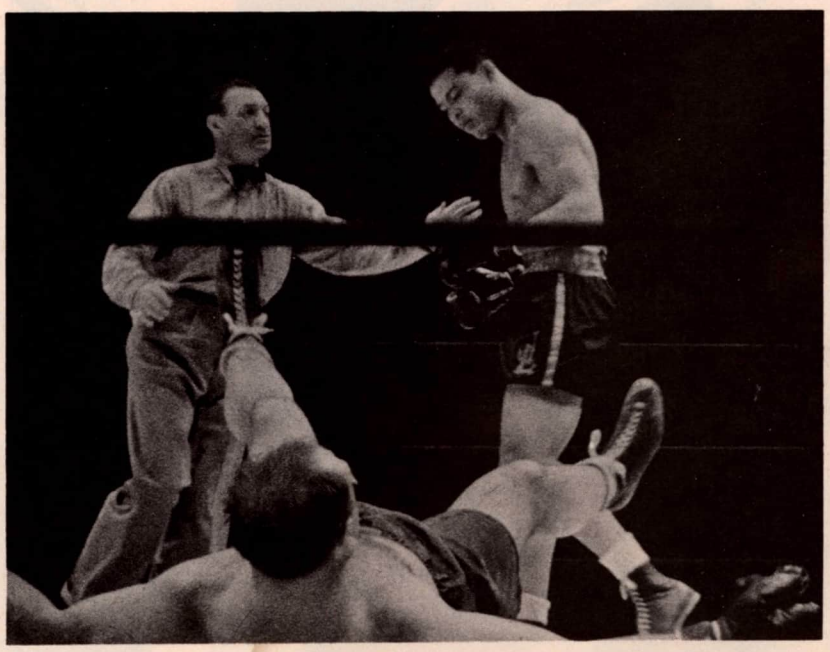
Tony is flat on his back, finished for the evening, as Louis turns and heads for a neutral corner at the behest of referee Arthur Donovan, who soon signaled matters were over at 2:29 of the round.



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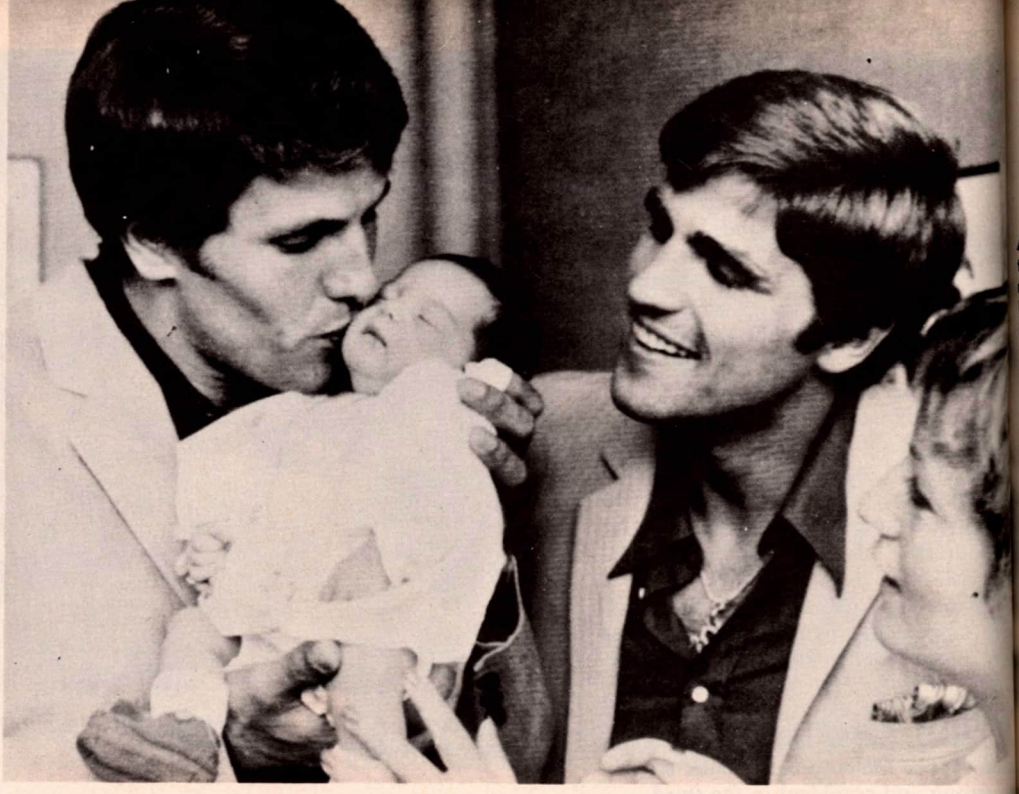
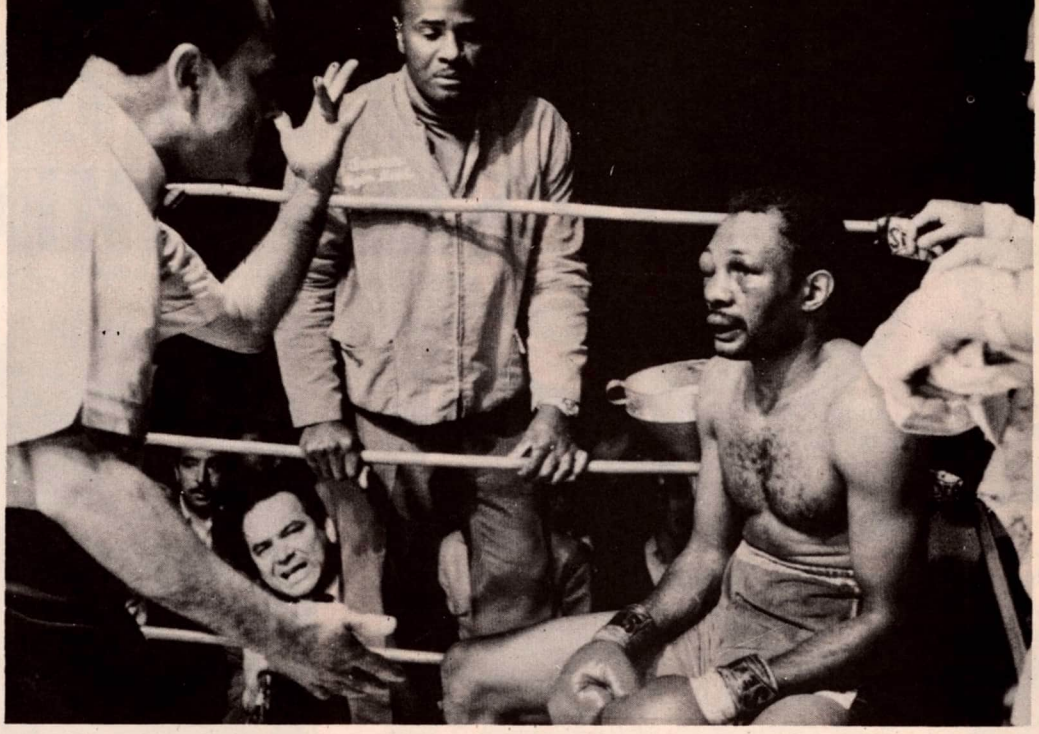


Mr. and Mrs. Nino Benvenuti admire the one-day-old daughter of Italian-style Western star Giuliano Gemma as the proud father bestows a kiss upon her cheek in Rome.

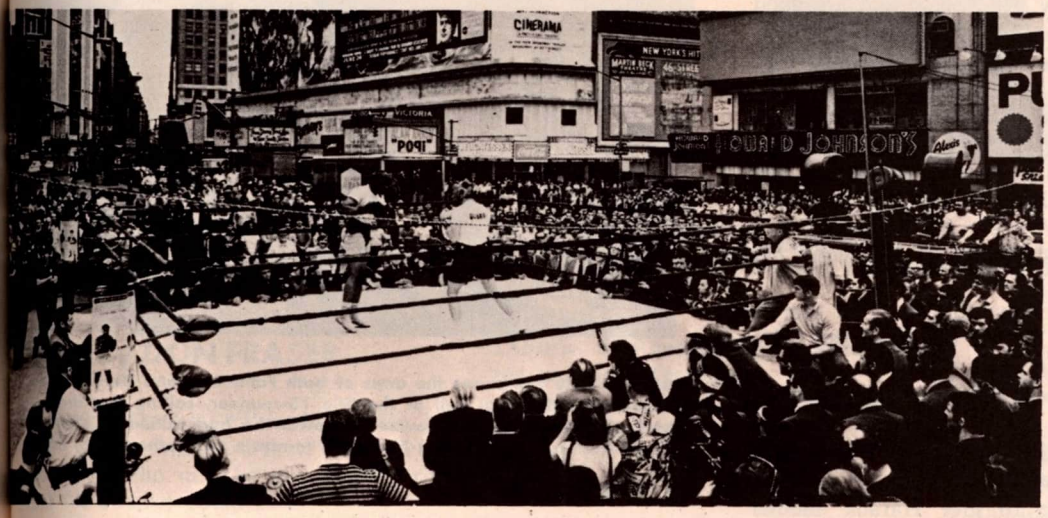
Joe Frazier meets another heavyweight, Skipper, the performing porpoise at Washington, D.C.'s marineland. Frazier appeared at a local nightclub as a singer.

Ex-heavyweight champion Jimmy Braddock (right) does a bit of playful sparring with Washington, D.C. heavyweight hopeful Bobo Renfrow at a luncheon in Braddock's honor in the nation's Capital.

Henry Cooper (left), British Empire and European heavyweight king poses with Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Maudling at the Variety Club of Great Britain's ladies luncheon. Maudling, deputy leader of the Opposition, and Cooper were among the guests of honor at the Dorchester Hotel, London.

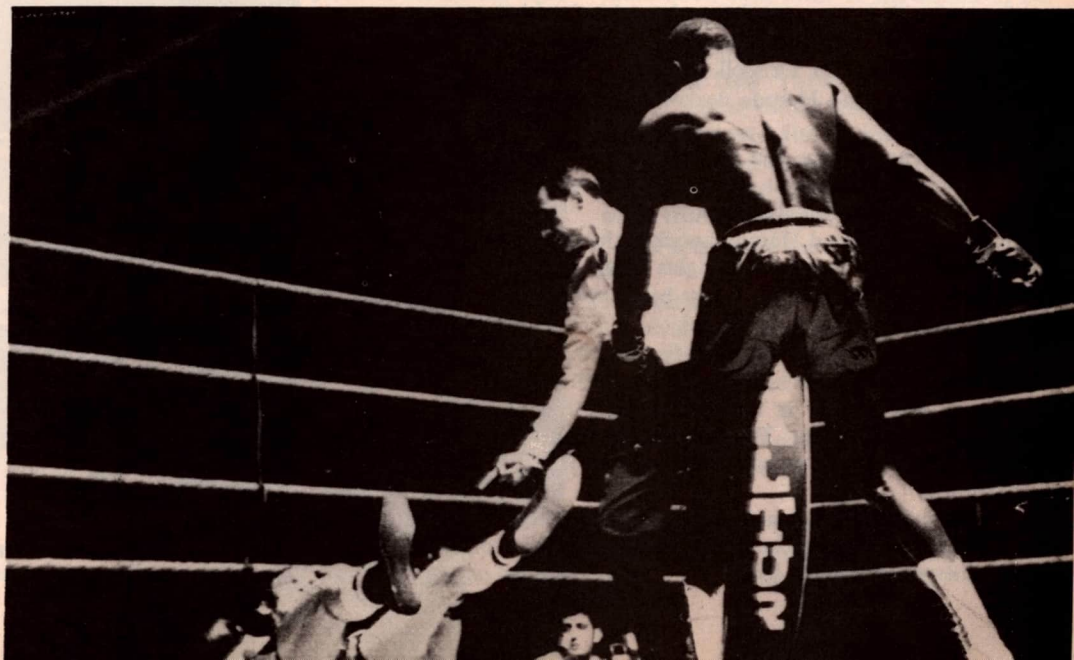


A battered, swollen Curtis Cokes sits in his corner and watches referee Ramon Burumen count him out before the 11th round of his recent contest with welterweight champion Jose Napoles in Mexico City. It went into the books as a 10-round knockout.



In a ring set up in New York's Times Square, Jerry Quarry spars with Charlie (Emperor) Harris for the edification of boxing fans on their lunch hour in mid-Manhattan.

Carmelo Bossi, former welterweight champion of Europe, is floored by another ex-Continental welterweight boss, Fighting Mack, in the fifth round of their bout in Milan, Italy. Bossi came back to win the decision after 10 rounds.



EXPERTS SUPPORT HARADA, REF PEP SAYS FAMECHON

By WILLIE McCOY

SYDNEY, Australia—The fight in which Johnny Famechon, featherweight champion of the world, made a successful defense of the title against Japan's Fighting Harada in 15 rounds came close to producing a riot.

Referee Willie Pep, imported from New York, first called it a draw. Then, after his card had been rechecked, showing the champion ahead by 70 to 69, Pep gave the decision to Famechon.

Most of the spectators, throwing national feeling to the winds, felt that Harada had won. They hooted, hissed, and used strong language. They shouted at Pep, "Yankee, Go Home!"

Some of the hotheads rushed for the ring and Willie, but the cops were ready.

As the fight ended, Pep rushed for the two fighters to hold their arms aloft in token of a draw. He said, "Both are good enough to be world champions. I could not split them."

A member of Harada's corner grabbed Pep's scorecard out of his hands. A recheck showed that Pep had ruled not a draw but a Famechon victory, by a point. And so it goes into The Ring Record Book.

Thus did Famechon retain the title he won by beating Jose Legra on a disputed decision, and thus did Australia learn that it is unwise to import a referee.

Famechon could not believe Pep's decision. Harada could not believe it.

Many of the spectators were richly abusive. Pep merely shrugged his shoulders and threw himself on the mercy of a boxing court which ruled that he had made a boo-boo.

The three local morning newspapers called the fight a victory for Harada.

They conceded to the Japanese a third world title. He has been the official flyweight and bantam champion.

It certainly behooves Famechon to give Harada another match. Since the Legra fight left behind it a doubt as to the decision favoring the oft-decked Johnny in London, Famechon is confronted with two urgent demands on his future time.

He is one of the luckiest holders of the featherweight title since the days of Jem Driscoll.

In the 11th round Harada decked his man with a hard right to the jaw.

It was a knockdown. But the referee insisted that Famechon had slipped. He refused to call the mandatory eight count. Pep pushed Johnny into a neutral corner.

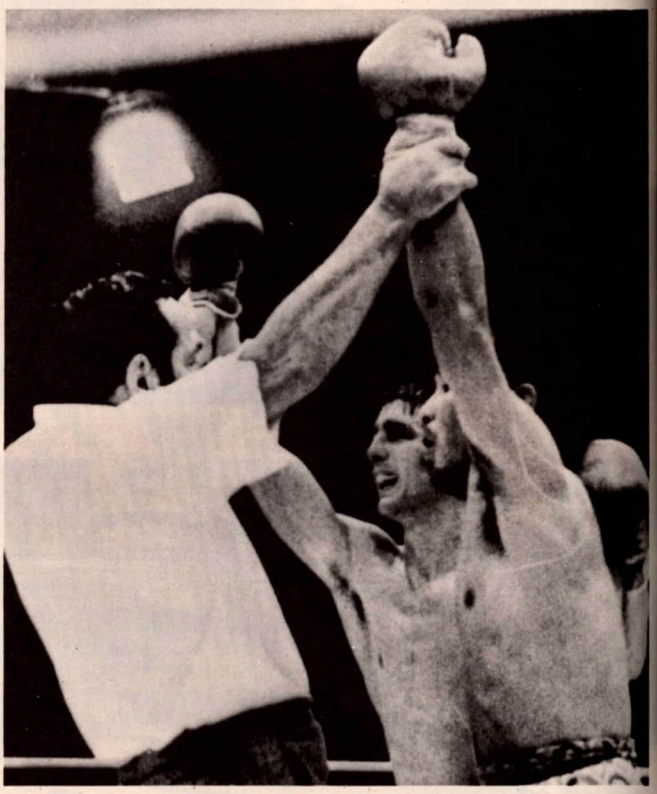
In the second round Harada knocked the champion down for the mandatory eight with three rights to the head.

It looked as if Famechon might be stopped. But he mounted his bicycle and survived the round.

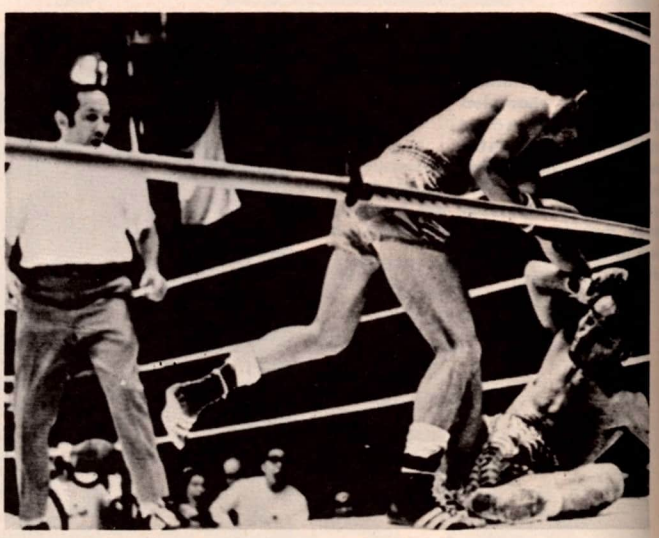
Eight seconds before the close of Round No. 14 Harada landed a right cross and Johnny hit the canvas with a thud.

Harada was floored in the fifth, by a left hook which gave him the mandatory eight. The Japanese contingent protested that their man had been wrestled down, and that it had been no legal knockdown.

The way Famechon was bobbing up and down like a yo-yo he was far from an impressive champion of the world. There were times when Johnny looked *(Continued on page 65)*

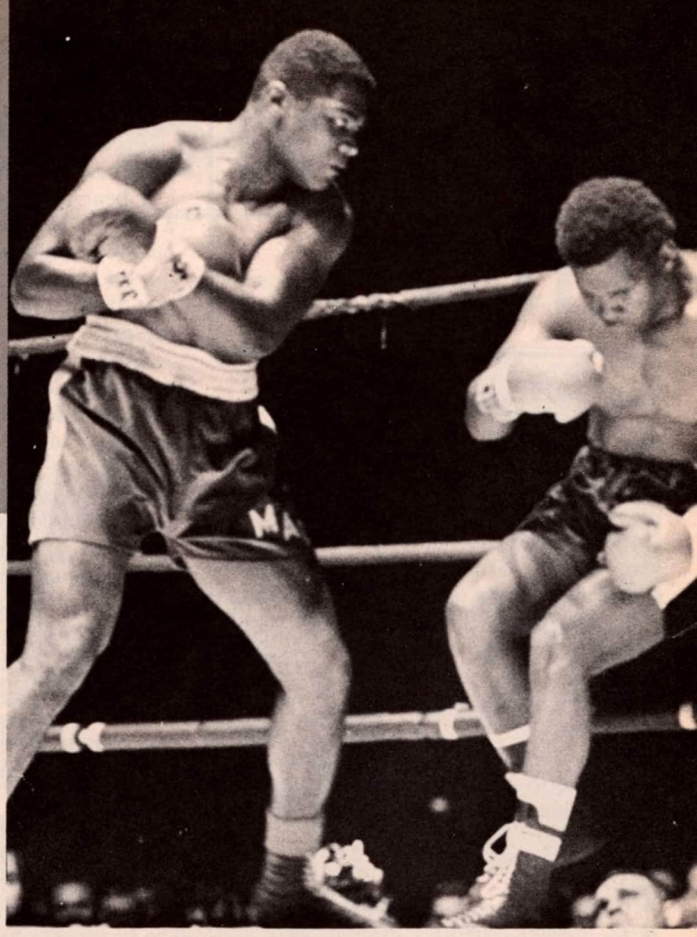


Referee Willie Pep raises the arms of both Famechon and Harada immediately after the final bell of the title 15-rounder, calling it a draw. A check of Pep's scorecard, however, showed he had tallied it 70-69 for the Australian, thus enabling Famechon to retain his featherweight crown.



Harada is on the floor in the fifth round. He took the mandatory eight-count, but many thought the challenger was wrestled to the canvas.

VIETNAM VETERAN MAC FOSTER LOOMS AS HEAVY THREAT



(Left) Mac Foster is carried around the ring by his enthusiastic supporters after knocking out Thad Spencer in the first round at Fresno. (Above) We see the powerful left hook which has just connected on Spencer's chin and is sending him off to dreamland.

By DON FRASER

FRESNO, Cal.—"I'm a black man, but I'm an American first," says the fellow who may be the toughest rival that Joe Frazier could face.

Mac Foster, who spent six and one half years in the Marine Corps, feels that in another six months, he'll be ready for Frazier or anybody else who may be in command.

If asked today, the 6-3, 210-pounder would be ready to tangle with Cassius Clay.

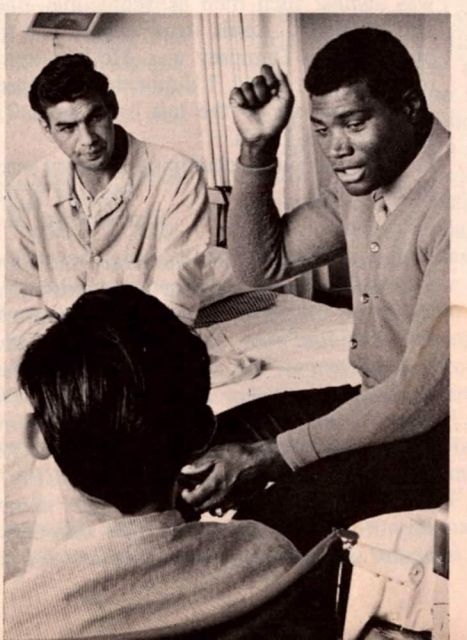
While fighting the Viet Cong in the jungles and swamps of Vietnam, Foster could express only disgust with Clay's statements on the draft and the war. Mac spent 13 months in Vietnam, participating in 14 major operations.

Mac joined the Marines at age 17 just after graduation from local high school. Besides his two tours of duty overseas, the big sergeant managed to sandwich in enough boxing to capture the all service heavyweight title, all marine and national AAU.

Following his discharge from the Corps, Mac returned to Fresno and decided on a pro career under the management of Pat DiFuria, who had handled Wayne Thornton and Gabe Terronez.

Named after General MacArthur, Big Mac received his first taste of pro ring combat in Las Vegas, Nov. 28, 1966, against huge Jimmy Gilmore.

Here is Vietnam vet Foster visiting with wounded servicemen at the Fresno Veterans Hospital. Mac had 30 vets as his guests at the Spencer fight.



Gilmore, a 275-pounder, found the range twice with booming right hands and twice Foster tumbled to the canvas. Following the second knockdown, Foster ripped a left hook to Gilmore's ribs, then crossed with a right hand that sent his first opponent out for a full minute in the third round.

Success after success followed the Gilmore bout, with most of the action in the grape capital of the world, Fresno.

First "name" foe for Mac was Hubert Hilton, a New Yorker who had been in against Oscar Bonavena, Henry Cooper, Jack Bodell and Jimmy Ellis.

After five rounds, Hilton was bleeding from a smashed nose and mouth and his white trunks were gory.

DiFuria now knew that Mac was for real.

"Foster showed heart, the ability to take a punch against Hilton. I knew that he was on his way and it was up to me to pick the right matches at the right pace," Pat told the writer.

First national publicity splash for Foster came about because of a gymnasium workout.

Sonny Liston was in Oakland, preparing for his national TV scrap with Henry Clark

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PUNCH LINES

WHY SO MANY CUT EYES?

IN going over the hundreds of fight results in The Ring every month I am amazed and puzzled by the great prevalence of TKOs because of eye cuts.

We do not have many of these in Madison Square Garden but in other localities there are cut eyes galore. I notice there are more in England than we have over here.

Are the referees too tender hearted? Are the doctors allowed to have too much say? Has boxing become a sport for the too nonviolent people?

I don't want to see a lot of gore. But I don't like to see a winner run out of the ring because the loser has a facial abrasion.

Henry Spannier
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor's Note—The tendency in boxing is to prevent obtrusive displays of bloodshed. A very important factor is the marked letdown in infighting. Your 1969 boxer punches for the face. Referees grab boxers in close before they can start infighting.

NO ELLIS BOOSTER

After seeing the Frazier-Quarry fight, which I think was the acme of a fight fan's dreams, I became angry at Jimmy Ellis' audacity to jump on the apron of the ring, right after the fight, and pull a cheap imitation of Cassius Clay. Out here, one regards Ellis as a joke. I'm sorry, but that's the truth. He fought a smart fight, if not a boring one, against Quarry, thanks to Dundee's strategy. But Dundee, knowing full well the fighting capacity of his charge, and pondering his economic potential, arranged an affair with aging Floyd (whom Dundee must have considered a set-up) in Sweden, where thanks to Floyd's popularity, the fight was sure to bring in a few Kronas. Much to Dundee's dismay, Floyd beat Ellis, what's more, taught him a boxing lesson. But let's assume that Ellis won. The decision was still much too close for comfort. Afterwards it was clear to the world, as well as Dundee, that Ellis was no more than a sparring partner. Which brings us to the present question: whether Frazier and Ellis are ever going to meet?

Danny M. Ghaffouri
Burbank, Cal.

HE LIKES THE COMPUTERS

Can you tell me when the computer people will come out with a new series? Are they going to have a selection of entries in the lightweight class?

I would say that the lightweights are the next best division for that purpose.

I hear that they plan to skip boxing for a year or two and go into football. This, I believe, would be a big mistake. But I am not so crazy about the computer gimmick that their going into football would make me cry.

I like the computer series because it rakes up old names and old controversies. I accept it for what it is and don't have any illusions about the accuracy of their machine.

If the computer people stop their boxing series, why doesn't The Ring pick it up, with the lightweight class?

A computer can be hired at so much a week. I believe that the cost would not be great if you let the computer owners in on the publicity.

Martin M. Dowd
Newark, N. J.

Editor's Note—Insofar as we are aware, the computer people do not have another fight series on the griddle.

HE VOTES FOR JOE LOUIS

I disagree with The Ring Magazine rating Jack Dempsey the greatest heavyweight of all time. I believe that Joe Louis was the greatest fighter who ever stepped into the ring. Dempsey came along during the "Golden Age" when America was enjoying prosperity unparalleled in her history. Let's face it, Dempsey was a reflection of the times. Joe Louis, however, was a negro and had his heyday during the darkest days of the Depression. Joe started out with two strikes against him. But actions speak louder than words. Just look what Louis did in the ring. He successfully defended the heavyweight championship more times than any other champion in history. He defended it no less than 25 times with 21 knockouts and 4 decisions. Notice what a great "second-time around" fighter he was against such men as Schmeling, Baer and Walcott. Louis was every bit the puncher that Dempsey was. He had dynamite in either hand. I doubt that Dempsey could stand up to the left hand of a 23-year-old Joe Louis.

Joe Louis was a champion in every sense of the word.

Spencer Ward,
Darnestown, Md.

Editor's Note— We have received some 500 letters from readers who misunderstood the subject of Nat Fleischer's article. He did not rate Dempsey the greatest heavyweight of all time. Nat always has accorded that honor to Jack Johnson. The question assigned to Fleischer and Jimmy Jacobs was, "Who was the MOST EXCITING FIGHTER YOU HAVE SEEN?" Fleischer picked Dempsey, Jacobs named Ray Robinson. Let's hope that this explanation settles the question, once and for all.

THE THREE KNOCKDOWN RULE

I read your article regarding the thr knockdown rule.

I have been around boxing for abo fifty years and have seen three bouts Chicago, two in the Stadium, and one Marigold, where boxers died in the hos tal from the punches they took around t head.

If a man goes down three times in round, there is great danger of his bei seriously hurt. The logical thing to do to stop the bout and not take the chan of his being hurt.

Joseph Heffr
Phoenix, Ar

BUNCH OF SCALLIONS FOR MR. HOGAN

I have sent a bunch of scallions to Di trict Attorney Frank Hogan, of New Yo County, for the grandstand play his offi pulled when it served subpoenas on Be venuti and Tiger as they were leaving th ring in the Garden.

It was a stinking trick and it injure boxing. It was especially harmful in vie of Nino's knuckle fracture.

Mr. Hogan has been investigating Mafi influences on New York's thousand an one activities, and I, for one, hope he come up with something worth while and hang Haman to the highest branch.

But issuing subpoenas to Nino and Dick for service right after the fight was no worthy of Frank.

Jose Varga
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor's Note—You express our sentiments 100 percent. Serving Tiger, in particular, turned the thing into a farce.

WHEN DID NINO BUST HIS KNUCKLE?

I see that The Ring is willing to accept Nino Benvenuti's statement that he busted his knuckle in the first round of the Tiger fight.

I saw this fight. True, I was up in the balcony. But I did not see Benvenuti hit Dick hard enough in the first or any other round, to give him a fracture.

I want to go on record, just to satisfy myself, that Benvenuti broke the knuckle in training. Having got rid of this belief, with a challenge to The Ring to print this letter, with the odds 15 to 1 that it doesn't, I leave the matter in The Ring's keeping, to file away with Liston's first round KO by Clay at Lewiston, Me.

Harvey Dendro
Yonkers, N.Y.

Editor's Note—The middleweight champion of the world has said that he broke a knuckle in the first round. The Ring Magazine has no evidence which would controvert this statement. The Ring is quite willing to respect the world champion from Italy with acceptance of his statement. You lose your 15 to 1 bet. Send your lost dough to the New York Times Fund for the Neediest Cases.

The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

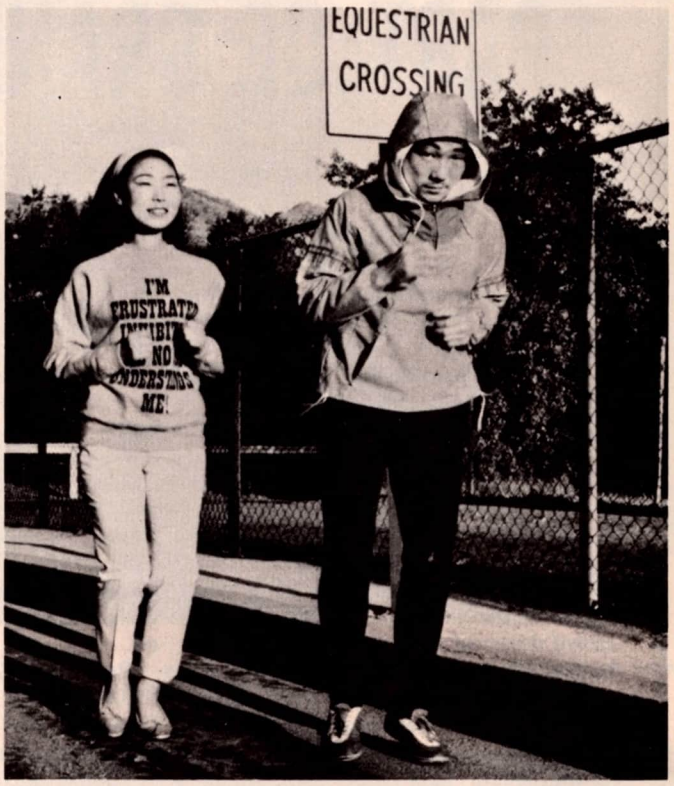
ODDITY OF THE MONTH—Joe West, manager of middleweight Fraser Scott, had good reason to yell, "We wuz robbed" even before his fighter's bout with Ted Lidgett in Seattle, Wash. It seems that three rows of ringside seats West gave to Dave McDonald, owner of a vacuum service, to sell were stolen when Dave's store was broken into two days before the fight. This forced the promoter to change the color of the tickets so the stolen ones would be useless. Meanwhile, Scott kept his record clean with a kayo over Lidgett.

Featherweights Kid Valiant and Spider Murphy caused quite a stir in Portland, Me. After 1:50 of an exciting first round, Murphy stopped and yelled something that sounded like "Nuts to this," and promptly walked out of the ring. Valiant got credit for a one-round kayo, while Spider went back to his web.

Another light note, this time from Vancouver, Canada, where light heavyweight Tommy Del Vecchio engaged Kalman Santosi in a humorous bout. It seems that a fat ringside fan became discouraged with Del Vecchio's performance during the early minutes of the eight-round bout. The fan yelled "C'mon Del Vecchio, you bum, start fighting." Tommy turned and snapped "If you can do any better, get up here in the ring," and while he was ad libbing with the fan, Santosi landed a hard right to the nose. The comedy continued in Tommy's corner where his manager, Jimmy Johnson, was working in a pair of split pants from the first round on. Jimmy finally left for repairs at the beginning of the last round. Del Vecchio lost the decision. Who said burlesque is dead?

The Ebon Athletic Club, located in the Audubon Ballroom in New York, announced the signing of Bob Goodman as its publicity man... Madison Square Garden has annonnced the acquisition of a major interest in Roosevelt Raceway . . . Al Stanky, a Los Angeles middleweight, is a policeman in that fair city . . . Former heavyweight boxer Elmer Curt Kennedy died in a car crash in Wichita, Kansas . . . Featherweight Kenny Campbell, who has been doing well up in New England, was a member of the British West Indies Olympic team last year . . . An injured left hand will keep welterweight king Jose Napoles out of action for a few months . . . Professional boxing is coming back to Carson City, Nevada, under the guidance of promoter Ted Walker . . . Pittsburgh promoter Archie Litman offered Joe Frazier $400,000 to clarify the heavyweight situation against Jimmy Ellis this October . . . Light heavyweight champion Bob Foster has been offered $100,000 to defend against Bob Dunlop in Australia . . . Nevada State Boxing Commission has joined the World Boxing Council. Last year it quit the WBA because it was slipping over the last few years.

A promoter in Panama offered lightweight king Mando Ramos $100,000 to defend against local contender Ismael Laguna . . . Zora Folley has opened a nightclub in Phoenix, Ariz. . . . Middleweight Hedgemon Lewis is employed by a Hollywood clothier. Lewis plans to make a career for himself in merchandising when he hangs up the gloves . . . Ex-middleweight Johnny Manzanet was appointed to the New York State Athletic Commission . . . Former European heavyweight champion Karl Mildenberger of Germany, has called it a career . . . Boxing manager Doug Lord stated that he will suggest to his boxer, ex-welterweight king Curtis Cokes, that he retire . . . San Diego heavyweight Ken Norton commented after a workout with Cassius Clay that the old boy is still pretty snappy . .. A Washington, D.C. music critic felt that Joe Frazier's singing was more loud than musical. Joe has been appearing on late-nite talk shows, pushing a new record . . .



Japanese flyweight Katsuhiro Harada does some 6 a.m. roadwork with 25-year-old Mako Sasazaki, who substitutes for her father, Takashi, as Harada's American manager.

Bobby Jackson, who worked 48 years for the Hollywood Legion Stadium, died on the Coast. He was 72 . . . Gene Delmont, an ex-boxer who once hosted at the Flamingo Hotel in Vegas, has returned there from Memphis, Tenn. . . . Referee Nate Morgan of Las Vegas has been promoted to lieutenant of the security staff of a Vegas hotel.

Jerome Conforto, a former Southern welterweight champion, is handling up-and-coming welterweight Chuck Mince of New Orleans . . . The State Athletic Commission of Nevada reported that 70,000 people attended 67 fight promotions the last fiscal year, for total gate receipts of about $300,000 . . . The New York State Athletic Commission suspended the licenses of Mushky Salow as a manager and second. The Commission said Salow had failed to appear on four separate occasions as part of its continuing investigation into the associations of its licensees . . . A boxing manager in the midwest is singing the blues due to the loss of his heavyweight. This boxer, who has been in and out of prison like a yo-yo, on rape convictions, has been taken over by a new man.

The Greek Boxing Commission in Athens has put its stamp of approval to a proposed heavyweight title bout between WBA king Jimmy Ellis and Fresno's Mac Foster. The bout still remains in doubt until a TV contract can be secured . . . Flyweight boxers Katsuhiro Harada, Japan, and Fermin Gomez, Mexico, took time out last month to help actress Jane Russell in a promotion for W.A.I.F. Foundation . . . Harada's manager in the U.S. is a woman named Mako Sasazaki. Her father, Takashi, was unable to attend the bout *(Continued on page 61)*

RINGO'S MASSACRE OF HOMBURG PART OF GRAND BERLIN FIASCO

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, Germany—What promoters will come up with after the massacre involving Wilhelm von Homburg and Oscar 'Ringo' Bonavena, I cannot imagine for the life of me.

Without a chance, decked five times, von Homburg was taken out of the battle in round three by his trainer, Harry Davis, who threw in the towel. With this mis-match and two helpings of a Rinaldi-Norbert Grupe—Alias Wilhelm von Homburg—affair, I doubt if Berliners will take a second glance at the next placards announcing a boxing program in the divided city. The 4,000 crowd deserved more than this for their hard earned marks.

The local sports writers who played along with the nonsense that flowed from the mouths of Bonavena and Grupe would have been more suited covering a beer house brawl.

Bonavena ostensibly wanted written authority from promoter Willi Zeller to "kill Grupe in the ring." In the same breath he said he would then kill Zeller.

An oral fight broke out at a meeting between the two boxers, both alleging a desire to fight it out there and then.

Then we had Grupe turning up for the weigh-in with a plaster over his mouth. He did not wish to insult his opponent, he pretended. Bonavena followed him, holding his nose, insinuating the German stunk. If this is boxing then I am not proud of my connection with it.

This comic opera began one day when Bonavena arrived in Berlin for his engagement with Grupe in the 22,000 seat open air Walbuhne Stadium, where Grupe's father Richard met Paco Bueno 20 years ago in Germany's first international contest after the war.

A wet spell set in and the promoter switched the bout to the 10,000 seat Sportpalast. All went well until the week of the fight when Bonavena complained of a sore throat and took to his bed.

A doctor administered penicillin and the South American went berserk. He pushed the doctor to one side and rushed out of his hotel into the street. Later he was ambulanced to a nearby hospital where he was found to be suffering from penicillin shock.

Dr. Dieter Hoffmann, President of the West German Boxing Association, gave Bonavena the onceover and then gave him a clear bill of health, having found he had recovered from tonsilitis and shock.

Then the curtain opened for another act of this sour comedy. New contracts were required and a new date had to be agreed upon. This was accepted after heated discussions. Then the question of cash came up and the bout was almost off.

Promoter Zeller had already paid $2,000 for the Bonavena party to fly to Germany, and gave Bonavena another $2,000 in advance. Expenses amounted to another $2,000.

Zeller wanted Bonavena to pay half the cost of his stay in Germany from the original schedule to the new date.

Bonavena's appearance in this country was costing Zeller $20,000 although all of this would not find its way into the South American's pocket.

Ringo finally gave way only to come up with a demand of 50% of the fees from Argentine TV, which amounted to only $500, in any case.

Finally Bonavena and Grupe climbed into the same ring and one could see an expression of relief on Willi Zeller's face. The two problem boys had made it. Ringside seats costing $25, $20 and $15 were not over-crowded and those in the cheaper stalls moved forward like a huge wave.

Another scene in this comic opera was staged in the ring, where Grupe was kneeling with a four leaf clover in his mouth hanging over his straw colored moustache. He was not amused when referee Herbert Tomser, a Warrant officer of the German Army, ordered him to his corner. Seconds out, the bell and the slaughter commenced. A left hook and Grupe was decked for six. A right and he bit the dust again, for eight.

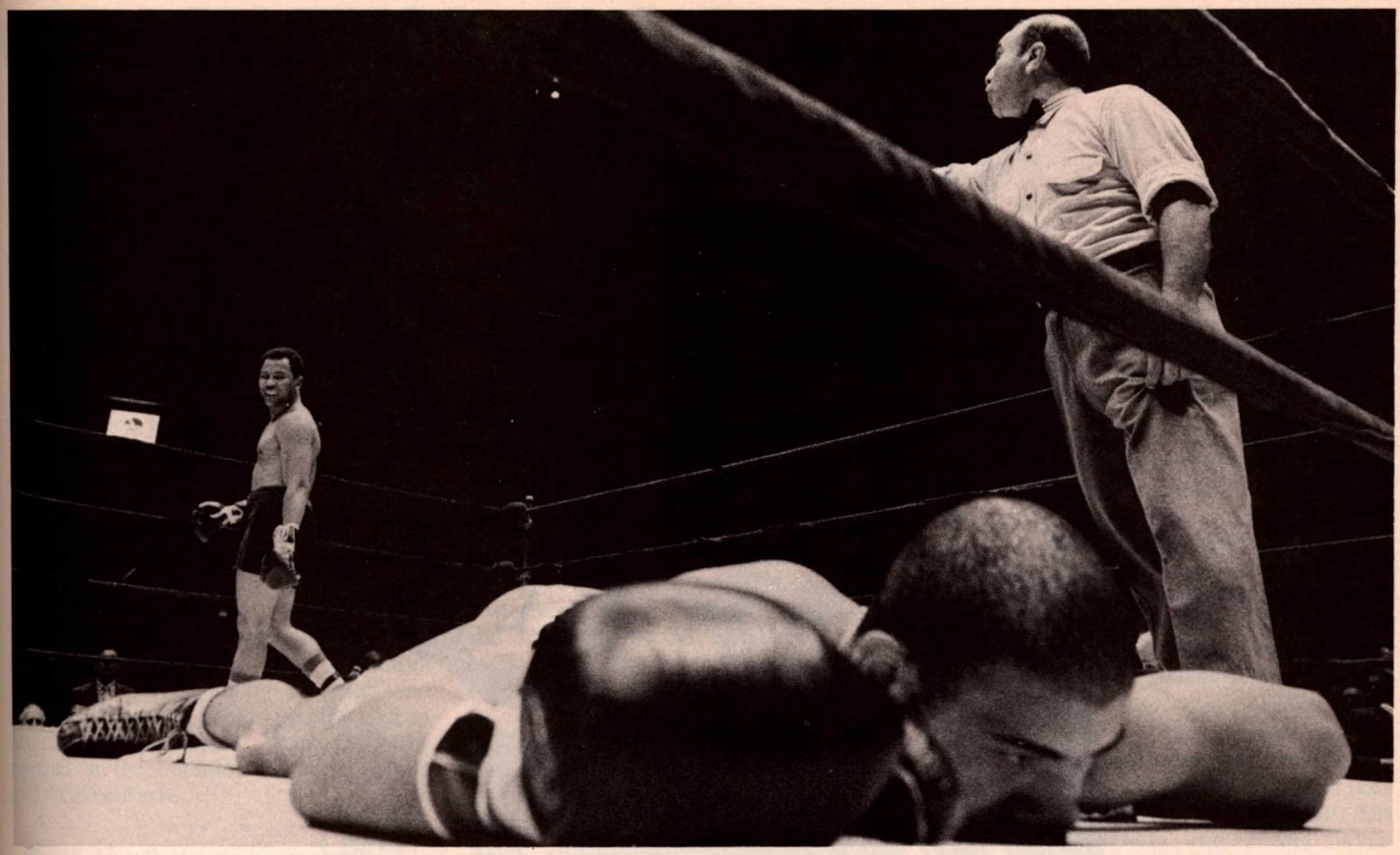
In frame two Ringo took a breather and Grupe had an easier time and did in fact land a couple of punches. The third was to be the end and left hooks felled the German twice for eight. As he was decked the third time he almost fell through the ropes. He beat the count only to see his trainer throw in the towel.

The German blond was not amused and gave his trainer a push and left the ring disgusted. Bonavena stood there with his tremendous arms raised while one of his supporters poured the contents of two champagne bottles over him. His wife Dora Adriane gazed upon her man with those large brown eyes of hers. Goliath had slaughtered David who was nearly 20 pounds lighter.

It was said later that there were a mere 2,700 paying customers in the venue who produced a gate of only $22,175 which paid for Bonavena's purse with a little to spare. I stand by my estimated 4,000 but how many paid for their seats I cannot say. The deficit came to $25,000.

Grupe was invited to a television interview. He appeared but answered none of the questions put to him by Rainer Günstler. The only words he spoke were at the end of this so called interview when he thanked Günstler. Before the telecast was over two telegrams arrived. One from the President of German boxing, Dieter Hoffman who apologized for Grupe's conduct. The other was from former European champion Willi Quatuor, who said he hoped that all boxers would not be judged by the one in the studio.

So the curtain closed on this fiasco. One man who was pleased to see the final act was Willi Zeller. One would have thought that he would be contented to retire quietly to his fur coat business. But no! He is talking of his plans for the winter season. One can only wish him good luck and hope that the names of Bonavena and Grupe are not included in his schedule.



Jose Torres on way to neutral corner as referee Johnny LoBianco counts out Charley Green in 1:31 of the second round.

JOSE TORRES VS. BOB FOSTER? IT COULD BE BORING

By NAT LOUBET

JOSE Torres, former light heavyweight champion of the world, part-time politician, part-time fighter, making a comeback, looked anything but impressive in his second-round knockout over Charlie Green before a Madison Square Garden crowd of 8450.

Green was a substitute for Jimmy Ralston, Buffalo, who mysteriously backed out at the last minute claiming arm trouble. The true story may never be revealed, but the New York Commission suspended Ralston, pending a hearing.

Green was plucked out of the fans presenting tickets for admission some 15 minutes prior to the Garden show's opening contest.

The Torres bout, feature event on a card of three 10-rounders, was terminated in one minute and 31 seconds of the second round. Torres connected with a desperation right hand that knocked Green into kingdom come.

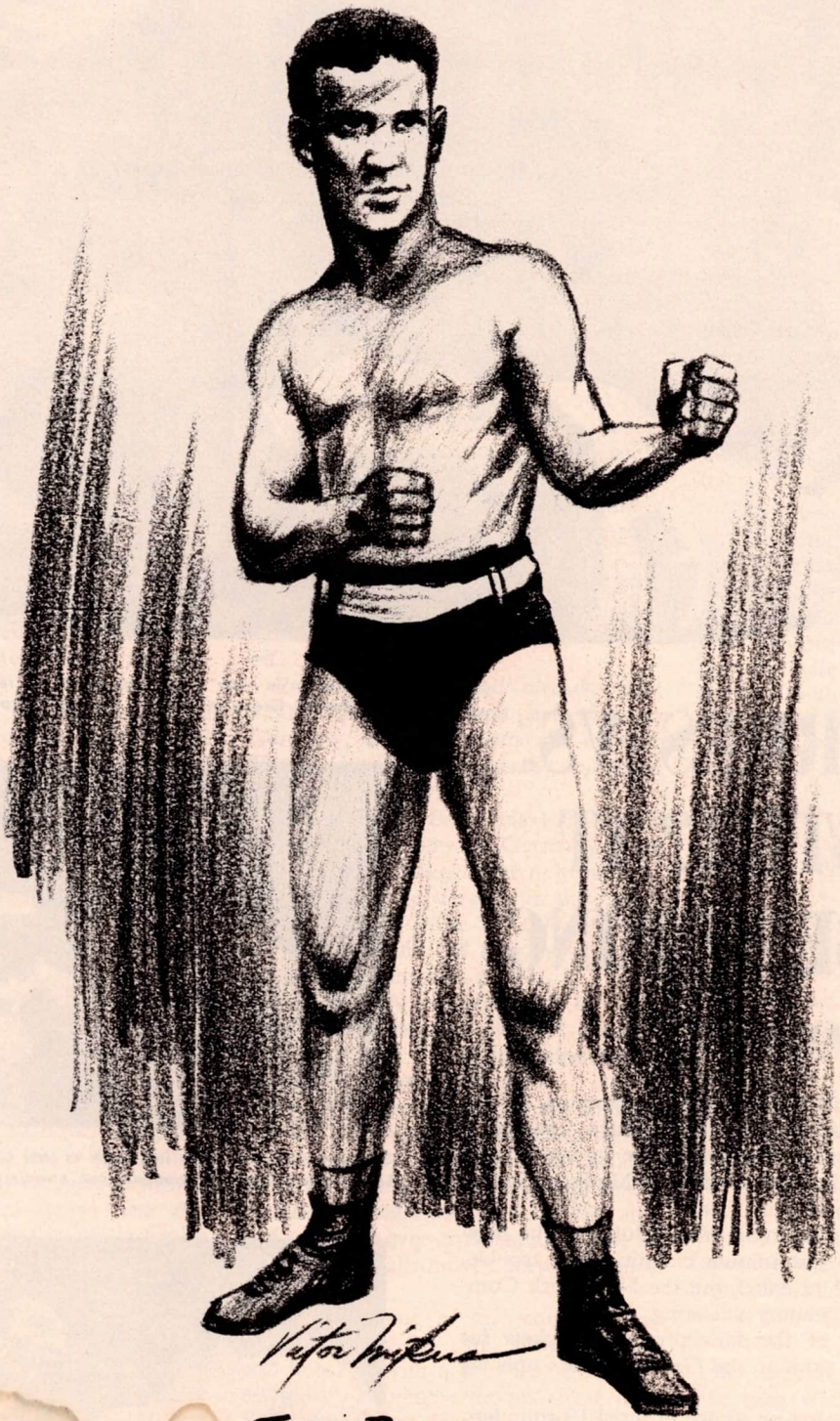
Torres was nearly knocked out himself when Green floored him with a left hook and an overhand right. The bell rang and Torres was helped back to his corner by his handlers, a violation of the State rules which stipulate that the count must go on, and a fighter must get back to his corner, under his own power.

No longer does the bell, except *(Continued on page 61)*

Genero Soto lands with left hook to jaw of ex-lightweight champ Ismael Laguna but Laguna pounded out unanimous decision over 10 rounds.

Billy Lonergan loses mouthpiece as unbeaten Donato Paduano lands with jolting right on way to six-round TKO over Lonergan.

MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONS — PORTRAIT NO. 6



Tom Ryan
having defeated the best men in the division was universally recognized as champion. Ryan retired in 1907 after defeating all comers.

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

YOUR Broadway correspondent recently visited Scranton, Pa., for the first time in years. Ran into many former pals including Mike Latzo, of the famous boxing family. Mike left the fighting to his famous brothers, Pete, former welterweight champion who passed away last year, and Steve, one of the first to make a European and Australian junket. Mike, who was born in Coleraine Pa., a mining town outside of Hazleton, has been a manager and promoter and is still active at 71. Known as a great cut man, he has been with Dick DeVeronica, the Canastota welter, who was halted by ex-welter and middleweight king, Emile Griffith, when they clashed in Syracuse. Years ago Mike operated in the Scranton Armory as well as in Wilkes-Barre.

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"Snap" Nagelberg, now one of the top promoters in Scranton, is a newcomer to the sport, being affiliated with boxing a little more than a year. His All Star Boxing Club holds its indoor shows at the Catholic Youth Center, 500 Jefferson Avenue, which has a seating capacity of 4,850. Nagelberg's business address is 308 Clay Avenue, Scranton.

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Odds and ends about Scranton: Lippy Breitbart, long-time manager and one-time mentor of "Hurricane" Tommy Jackson, once a contender for the heavyweight crown, who is affiliated with Nagelberg, has a unique gymnasium on Lackawanna Avenue, where all fighters are welcome to train without any charge whatsoever. Lippy manages Bobby Phillips, Scranton middleweight, who scored an upset three-round kayo over previously unbeaten Bobby O'Brien, of New York.

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One of the outstanding referees in the Scranton area is Manny Gelb, a good featherweight in the thirties.

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Getting back to our Broadway beat, Joe Louis was in the news at about the time Joe Frazier took apart Jerry Quarry, when it was disclosed he was going into the chain restaurant business with his erstwhile rival, Billy Conn, former 175-pound king. Louis was suddenly taken ill with what was first described as a mild heart attack but Joe quickly recovered after being taken to a hospital.

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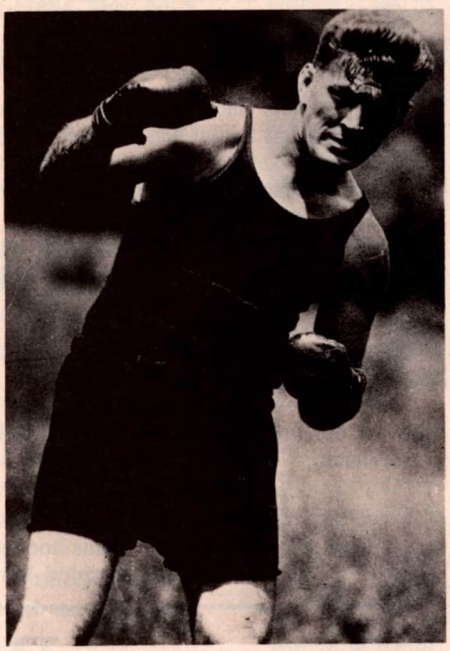
Visited with Joe Oliver, who was 59 on July 15, at his home in Flatbush. He was the light heavyweight Golden Gloves champion in 1927 and then turned pro, engaging in 92 professional bouts. Joe worked as a sparmate to several heavyweight champions, first with Primo Carnera, later with Max Schmeling and still later with Joe Louis. Oliver quit the ring in 1936. He has been with the Pinkerton Detective Agency working at local racetracks for the past 17 years. He recently sold his home and land at Nostrand and Voorheis Ave., in Brooklyn, and is now residing with his sister at 4630 Bedford Avenue. Joe, who



GENE TUNNEY

was born in the Irishtown section of Brooklyn, never married.

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In answer to queries: Charley Beecher, East Side featherweight, brother of the late Willie, is O.K. and working in Wall Street as a runner. Charley, who was a top performer, had quite a ring career. His outstanding triumph was an eight round no-decision win over Joe Lynch, later bantam king, at the Oakland AA, in Jersey City, the afternoon of July 4, 1919, when Jack Dempsey was kayoing Jess Willard for the heavyweight crown the same day at Toledo, O. . . . The late Scotty Monteith, manager of Johnny Dundee, one-time feather and junior lightweight king, startled the Oakland crowd while the Beecher-Lynch fight was on running around the ring telling the audience of the Dempsey victory.

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Artie DeLucca, popular welter and middleweight from Irishtown, Brooklyn, who is now 60, had a fine career from 1929 to 1934. DeLucca, the father of three sons, is now an inspector in the sanitation department. Looking quite chipper, the man who was managed by Red Wilson and Billy East, is still an avid boxing enthusiast and a member of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21 in Brooklyn.

Karl B. (Chas.) Threen, plant manager of Topps Chewing Gum, Inc., with quarters at Duryea, Pa., was a well-known boxing manager in Brooklyn years ago. His outstanding warriors were Hardy Smallwood, Brooklyn middleweight, who boxed Tiger Jones in Cleveland; Ralph Ruffin, of Philadelphia, a heavyweight, who had a fine career although beaten by Clarence Henry; and Eddie Wright, Philadelphia middleweight, who boxed former light heavyweight king Jose Torres, at Sunnyside Garden, in L.I. City. Threen quit the sport when his Topps outfit moved from Brooklyn to Pennsylvania, although he's a regular fight buff at all Scranton melees.

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A frequent visitor at Jack Dempsey's and other Broadway spots is 75-year-old Joe Nudelman, an East Side junior lightweight, who boxed under the name of "Battling" Kid Nelson from 1911 to 1918, and was managed by the late Hymie Cantor, pilot of Ruby Goldstein. Nudelman claims to have had 86 fights, stopped 43 opponents, was never kayoed, and lost five scraps. Nudelman, who holds trainers and seconds licenses with the New York State Athletic Commission, met such gladiators as Jimmy Goodrich, Frankie Callahan, Sammy Broady in Savannah, Ga., Phil Bloom twice, and Boston gladiators Tommy Shevlin and Jack Watts. He remembers his $20 purse when boxing for the late Harry Lenny at the Houston A.C. against Willie Beecher.

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Many will remember Carmen Roman, the Bayonne, N.J., lightweight, who had more than 200 fights during his career, which covered a span of 20 years, from 1925. The late Ben Horwich, a grand chap

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Former Feather Champ Andre Routis Dies

ONE of the few world boxing champions produced by France was counted out recently when Andre Routis, 69, was felled by a heart atack in Paris.

A native of Bordeaux, Routis turned to boxing as a livelihood in 1918 when his father was killed during World War I and his mother died from shock when notified.

In a busy career beginning in 1918 and extending to 1929, Routis' campaigning embraced a total of more than 350 amateur and professional bouts. He won the French bantamweight title by outpointing the veteran Charley Ledoux in 1924, but lost the laurels to Kid Francis a year and a half later.

It was during the summer of 1926 that Routis, as a featherweight, first invaded the United States, and his rugged, aggressive style made him a popular attraction with American fans. Managed by the late Joe (Yussel the Muscle) Jacobs, the stocky Frenchman compiled a fair record in Yankee rings, and was ballyhooed by Jacobs into a world championship match with Tony Canzoneri. Although he had previously lost a decision to Canzoneri in a non-title bout, he created a sensation by beating Tony in their championship meeting. That was in Madison Square Garden on September 28, 1928.

Routis was no four-alarm riot as champion. His only triumph was a KO of Buster Brown in Baltimore, and he lost in non-title matches with Dick (Honeyboy) Finnegan in Boston, Canzoneri in Chicago, Jackie Cohen in Montreal, Jake Zeramby in Boston, Al Singer in New York and Johnny Datto in Cleveland before destiny eventually overtook him and he was relieved of the championship by Bat Battalino in Hartford on September 23, 1929.

Suffering another defeat by Davey Abad in St. Louis, Routis returned to France and announced his retirement from boxing.

A few months later the news services reported a delicate operation on his eyes when he was threatened by blindness.

THUD OF LOUIS ON RING DECK AGAINST TWO TON STILL HEARD

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kept telling close pals that he had a real chance. After the fight Tony made the mistake of calling Joe over-rated. This was reported in the New York Times the following day. For this posterity long has forgiven him.

Galento doubtless developed a pardonable ego with 11 consecutive knockouts preceding the Louis fight.

He lost a six-round decision to Arturo Godoy on June 23, 1937, in Chicago, and then proceeded to annihilate Al Ettore, 8; Lorenzo Pack, 6; Leroy Haynes, 3; Charley Massera, 3; Nathan Mann, 2; Harry Thomas, 3; Otis Thomas, 9; Dick Daniels, 3; Jorge Brescia, 1; Natie Brown, 4; and Abe Feldman, 3.

Harry Thomas had gone 5 with Louis, Mann 3 and Brown 4.

After the KO by Louis, Galento stopped Lou Nova in 14 rounds. Considering the excess baggage Galento had to bring with him into the ring, his 14-rounder with Nova was more than phenomenal. However, in his next two outings Galento was knocked out by both Baers—in 8 by Max, in 7 by Buddy.

The story of the Louis-Galento fight, punch by punch, plays up the saga of the hungry man. One more punch in the third round? One more hard left hook? One more super effort? Who knows! There are thousands of such unanswerable questions in boxing history.

Here is how this memorable brief but historic contest was fought 30 years ago:

First Round

Galento moved forward in a crouch and hooked a left to the ribs. Louis jabbed a light left to the face. Galento staggered Louis with a left to the head. Galento shot a short punch to the head, then missed a right for the head. Louis jabbed a left to the face.

Galento missed a right for the face and took a right high on the head. Galento hooked a left to the body. Louis curled a right around Tony's neck. Galento drove a solid right to the jaw and hooked a left to the head.

Louis hooked a left to the jaw and sent a right to the jaw. Then they traded rights to the head.

Second Round

Louis jabbed a left to the head. Galento sent a light right to the head. Louis hooked a hard left to the chin. They traded long lefts to the face. Louis crashed a left and right to the head.

Louis drove two rights to the jaw and shot both hands to the face. Galento hooked a left to the head. Louis ripped a short uppercut to the head. Each landed a left hook to the face. Louis floored Tony with a right to the jaw for a count of two.

Third Round

Louis jabbed a left to the face. Galento was wild with a left to the head. Galento drove a left to the body. Louis jabbed two light lefts to the face and Galento returned a right to the body.

Louis was floored with a left hook to the jaw for the count of one. Louis was rocky on arising but Galento was wild trying to reach him. Each landed left hooks to the jaw. Galento hooked a left to the head.

Louis took a left to the face. Galento hooked a left to the head, staggering Louis. Galento hooked another left to the head at the bell.

Fourth Round

Galento drove a light left to the face and a left to the chest. Louis drove a right to the head and Galento shot back his left to the head. Louis crashed a left and right to the chin. Louis grazed the chin with a right-hand punch.

Galento hooked a left to the head. Louis drove a right to the head. Louis drove a hard right to the jaw. Louis crashed both hands furiously to the face. Louis drove rights and lefts to the head from all sides until Galento sank to the canvas helpless. Referee Donovan signalled that the fight was over, naming Louis the winner by a knockout in 2 minutes and 29 seconds of the fourth round.

Remember, please, that this fight was fought in June, 1939. It got two column heads on front pages of New York newspapers. In adjoining columns there were less spectacular headlines telling how Nazi soldiers were massing on Danzig, and how Hitler had assured England that he "meant no harm."

Tommy Robson Dead

ONE of the most popular fighters in New England's long boxing history, Tommy Robson, the "Malden Mauler," was 77 when counted out recently.

In a career spanning from 1913 to 1926, Robson, as a welterweight and middleweight, engaged in a total of 167 bouts, and numbered among his opponents such world champions as Jack Britton, Ted (Kid) Lewis, Al McCoy, George Chip, Tiger Flowers and Mike McTigue, and title contenders Augie Ratner, Young Stribling, Lou Bogash, Jake (Young) Ahearn, Marty Cross, Jeff Smith, Frank Carbone, Al Badoud, Italian Joe Gans, Roddy McDonald, Eddie McGoorty, Vic McLaughlin, George Shade, Young Fisher and Bryan Downey. A stiff puncher, Tommy won about a third of his bouts by knockouts.

With the rain pouring down on outdoor Idora park in Youngstown, Robson kicked off his shoes to insure better footing on the sodden canvas, and went on to beat local favorite Harry Krohn.

One of Robson's final bouts was a decisive victory over Mike Gibbons in Boston, checking the winning streak of the St. Paul Phantom on his comeback campaign in the early 1920s.

Jersey Jones Recalls:

SOME ALL-STAR PROGRAMS

BECAUSE of a general shortage of top-line talent available in the United States these days, all-star boxing programs have become the exception rather than the rule with American promoters. About the only one who continues to specialize in these all-star extravaganzas is the veteran George Parnassus of Los Angeles.

Parnassus, who operates in the Inglewood Forum, doesn't rely on local products. With his connections throughout the world, he not only presents championship bouts, but invariably supports his main events with outstanding importations from Mexico, Japan and the Philippines.

Time was, and not too far in the distant past, when all-star fight cards were fairly common here. Before and during World War I, Philadelphia, Baltimore and New York frequently offered programs of five or six bouts, any one of which would normally be a main event all by itself.

We recall when Albaugh's Theatre in Baltimore would present the Monumental City's three local favorites—Kid Williams, George (K.O.) Chaney and Young Britt—on the same bill, all against strong opposition, in bouts ranging anywhere from 10 to 15 rounds.

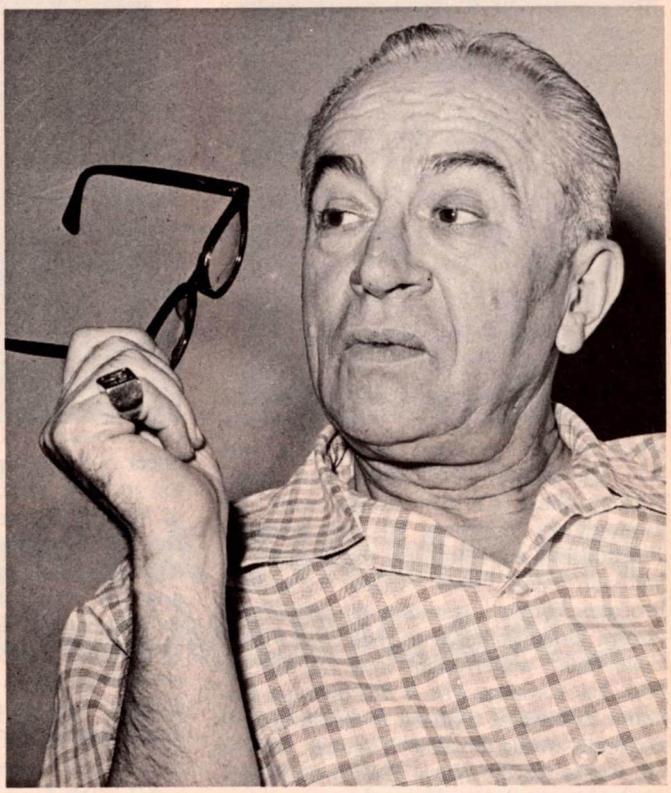
Jack McGuigan of the National and Jack Hanlon of the Olympia did the same in Philadelphia, and world champions were frequently in the top spots. Bantamweight Kid Williams, featherweight Johnny Kilbane and lightweight Benny Leonard appeared often on the programs. Only six-round no-decision bouts were permitted in Philadelphia in those days, but five or six of them usually constituted the card. On one occasion, St. Patrick's Eve, 1915, the National topped an all-star bill at the Olympia with two world champions, Kilbane and Williams, tangling in the final number.

Following the close of the War, Bobby Gunnis and Herman Taylor joined forces to continue the all-star offerings in the two Philadelphia baseball parks.

What shows they put together! The first one, as we recall, presented these pairings: George Chaney vs. Joe Tiplitz, Ted (Kid) Lewis vs. Steve Latzo, Harry Greb vs. Battling Levinsky, and Lew Tendler vs. Joe Welling.

During that summer of 1919, other all-star bills of equal attractiveness and importance were staged by the Gunnis-Taylor combination, and the practice continued for the next five or six years, with other promoters, such as Phil Glassman and Max (Boo Boo) Hoff, also playing important roles in Philadelphia's lively promotional activities.

New York got into the all-star swing of things in that era. The first notable card was one Dave Driscoll lined up for Ebbets Field, then the home of Brooklyn's baseball Dodgers, on Memorial Day, 1915. It was during the no-decision era in the Empire State, with 10-round bouts permitted under the existing Frawley law, and Driscoll lined up five matches, with world middleweight champion



GEORGE PARNASSUS

Al McCoy in the headline spot, facing Silent Martin. The other pairings pitted Mike Gibbons against Soldier Bartfield, Johnny Dundee against Johnny Drummie, Battling Levinsky against Dan (Porky) Flynn, and Dutch Brandt against Battling Lahn. The admission prices, incidentally, were $1, $2 and $3!

Following the Ebbets Field extravaganza, the late Lew Raymond, one of the most imaginative and enterprising promoters New York boxing has ever known, introduced all-star cards at the old Harlem Sporting Club (later the Commonwealth). Lew booked two cards, four weeks apart, late in 1915, with the three leading East Side lightweights, Benny Leonard, Leach Cross and Abe (Young) Brown, in a trio of 10-rounders. Leonard's opponents were Joe Azevedo and Joe Mandot, Cross hooked up with Johnny Harvey and Ad Wolgast, and Brown tangled with Matt Wells and Joe Welling.

For another program, Raymond had planned to use three world champions, lightweight Freddie Welsh, featherweight Johnny Kilbane and bantamweight Johnny (Kewpie) Ertle, but Ertle was injured in a Philadelphia bout a few nights before and was *(Continued on page 39)*

WHITEY BIMSTEIN, NOTED TRAINER, DIES AT 72

LONG recognized as one of boxing's outstanding trainers and seconds, Morris (Whitey) Bimstein was 72 when he died recently in a Veterans Administration Hospital in New York.

Probably no trainer in boxing history had worked with so many world champions and title contenders as Bimstein. Among the many were Gene Tunney, Benny Leonard, Louis (Kid) Kaplan, Jackie (Kid) Berg, Lou Salica, Lou Ambers, Fred Apostoli, Sixto Escobar, Paulino Uzcudun, Jimmy Braddock, Rocky Graziano and Ingemar Johansson. Altogether, Whitey estimated that during his 50 years of training and seconding, he must have worked with some 8,000 assorted fighters.

A native of New York's Lower East Side, Bimstein as a youngster had pugilistic ambitions of his own. As a bantamweight and adopting the ring name of "Johnny White," he learned early that his future was not a particularly promising one, so he hung up the mittens and turned to training.

Bimstein became so proficient in his trade that he was constantly in demand, and at one time estimated that he had charge of nearly 30 fighters. It was too much for one man, so he worked with a variety of partners. He teamed for a while with Ray Arcel, later with Freddie Brown.

Whitey had some rough going, physically, in recent years. Diabetes was a tough opponent. It was responsible for several operations, one resulting in the amputation of several toes on one foot, and another amputation of a leg below the knee.

Bimstein didn't have much formal schooling himself, but made certain his offspring did. His son, Jerry, a graduate of Brooklyn College, has been a successful photographer, and his daughter, Adele, an alumna of Hunter College in New York, has been a teacher at George Washington High School.

UP AND DOWN OLD BROADWAY

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and fine barrister from Bayonne, was Carmen's manager. Roman recalls training for eight days with the late Tony Canzoneri when he was working for his fight with Kid Chocolate, the "Cuban Bon Bon." Among those Carmen fought were Joe Ghnouly, of St. Louis, Herman Follis, of Pittsburgh, Lew Lombardi the Jersey City larruper, and Joey Costa. Carmen's brother, Tommy, was a good welter and claims, among other wins, one over Fritzie Zivic, later welterweight king, at Shreveport, La. Carmen, who is 58, operates Roman's Lounge at 24th St. & Boulevard, in Bayonne, while brother Tommy, who is 50, works for the Naval Base in Bayonne.

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Joe Netro, associated with Carmen Basilio in his climb to the welter and middleweight crowns, has a good prospect in strapping Tommy Hicks, formerly from Blackport, near Buffalo, N.Y., a light heavyweight who is 24, and recently did his stint for the United States Army. Besides being a boxer, Hicks has a post in Ithaca, N.Y., looking after mentally retarded children. He's quite a broth of a lad.

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Coming not too long after the passing of little Charley Goldman, the boxing profession was shocked at the death of Whitey Bimstein, another great trainer of pugilists. The game little bantam from the East Side is credited with having handled more boxers on the way to becoming champions than any other man in the profession. One thing we all know, like Goldman, he had the word "class" written all over him. Whitey, when asked who was the greatest fighter in his opinion, quickly replied, "Gene Tunney." We go along with the theory that the former heavyweight king was one of the most underrated performers in the Queensberry game. Boxing will miss Whitey as they have already missed the "gnome," little Charley Goldman.

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Jack Flood, a West Coast heavyweight, born in Seattle, Wash., who claims to have boxed from 1944 to 1966, visited The Ring office recently. He was managed by Larry Sheer in Seattle and later by Andrew Drayton in New York. Jack was a good friend of Whitey Bimstein's. The late Jack Curley, of Stillman's Gym, also worked with him. Says he began boxing at 14 and is now 38 years old. Flood appeared in a six-rounder against Joe Louis in Seattle in 1950, listed in The Ring record book as a no-decision affair. Jack is married, has three children and is now associated with the Street Academy recruiting young boys.

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Joe O'Gatty, 66, brother of the late Packey O'Gatty, passed away suddenly while visiting Aqueduct racetrack. Packey was the oldest, then came Jimmy, a good middleweight, then Joe and then Frank. Little Joe was a flyweight, and later worked in Wall St. He loved boxing and the horses. Besides his brothers, Jimmy and Frank, he is also survived by three sisters. Jimmy, who came East when he heard of Joe's passing, spent several weeks in the city. Jimmy mentioned that he ran into Joe Benjamin, crack California lightweight associated with Jack Kearns in the Jack Dempsey era, who was a recent visitor to Hollywood and is now retired, living in San Francisco.

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Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21, of Brooklyn, was well represented at the Fort Hamilton Veteran's Hospital, in Brooklyn, on the occasion of the standard bearer being honored and many of the membership turning out and entertaining the vets. Among those present were Johnny Gannon, Paul Doyle, Horace McIntyre, Spider Jack Lawson, Pres. Paul Berlenbach, Petey Hayes, ex-bantam king Lou Salica, Charley Young, Charley Varre, Manuel Dizon, Al Miller, Artie DeLucca, Joe Kane, Sammy and Paul Venti, Augie Pisano, Chick McCormack, Georgie Kid Texas, Bobby Wagner, Mickey DeLeio, Patsy Rubinetti, Billy Metz, Willie Mack and Larry Young. Hospitalized Ring #21 Chairman of the Board Sammy Markowitz sent a wire of congrats to Paul and the veterans. It was quite a show and we were there.

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A staunch supporter of boxing from his early days on the East Side and still a follower of the sport is Det. Frank Diamant, retiring after 32 years as a member of New York City's finest. Besides his many duties, he was also an official greeter of the Department. Frank is well known to the fistic intelligentsia and all wish him the best now that his days of activity as a "cop" are over.

MATHIS TOPS RATINGS IN MICHIGAN

By Elliott H. Harvith

Detroit, Mich.—Here are the ratings of Michigan fighters for the period ending July 10. EVERY pro from the state is rated, as follows:

HEAVYWEIGHTS: 1. Buster Mathis, Grand Rapids (29-2) 2. Alvin "Blue" Lewis, Detroit (21-3) 3. Willie Ray Richardson, Detroit (19-9-1) 4. Joe Byrd, Flint (4-5) 5. Smith, Detroit (2-1-1) 6. Chuck Haynes, Detroit (5-0-1) 7. Rufus McKiney, Detroit (2-0-1) 8. Wilbert Elbert, Flint (0-5).

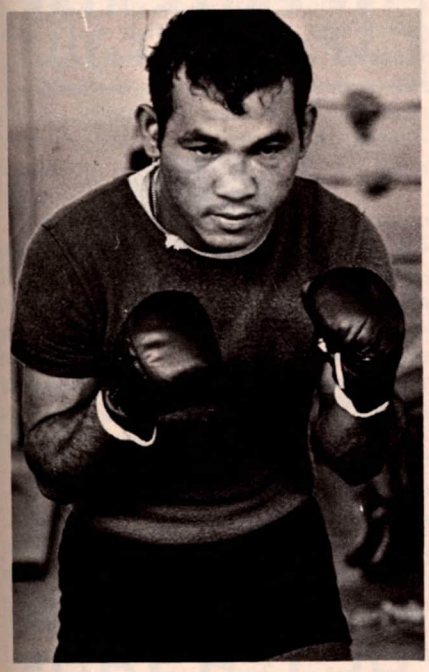
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS: 1. Henry Hank, Detroit (61-27-4) 2. Ted "Farmer" Wright, Detroit (48-13-10) 3. Billy "Koby" Tiger, Detroit (13-14-2) 4. Willie Williams, Detroit (8-13-1) 5. Larry Charleston, Detroit (1-1) 6. John Mason, Grand Rapids (2-3).

MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Doug McLeod, Grand Rapids (21-25-1) 2. Tommy Hanna, Detroit (8-1) 3. Al "Tiger Cat" Jones, Detroit (4-0) 4. Howard "High" Blood, Detroit (3-3-1) 5. Dave Thach, Kalamazoo (2-0-1) 6. General Neely, Detroit (1-0) 7. Baby Bull Holloway, Detroit (1-4) 8. Dawson Smith, Detroit (2-5-1).

WELTERWEIGHTS: Champion—Ron Harris, Detroit (21-1-1) 1. Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit (now L.A.) 2. Frank Steele, Flint (4-6) 3. Dennis Stiletto, Detroit (14-5) 4. Sam Ivory, Flint (1-8-1) 5. Woody Harris, Detroit (0-2.

LIGHTWEIGHTS: 1. Gene Gresham, Detroit (35-9-1) 2. J. W. Jackson, Flint (1-2) 3. Joe Anderson, Detroit (0-1).

Phil Beckley, Detroit light heavy, badly KO'ed in his only fight has been suspended for life and Tony Lopez, Detroit middleweight, with a 12-10-3 record, has retired.



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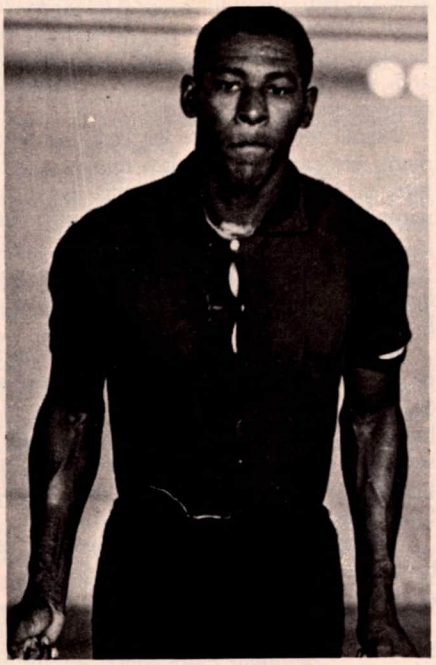

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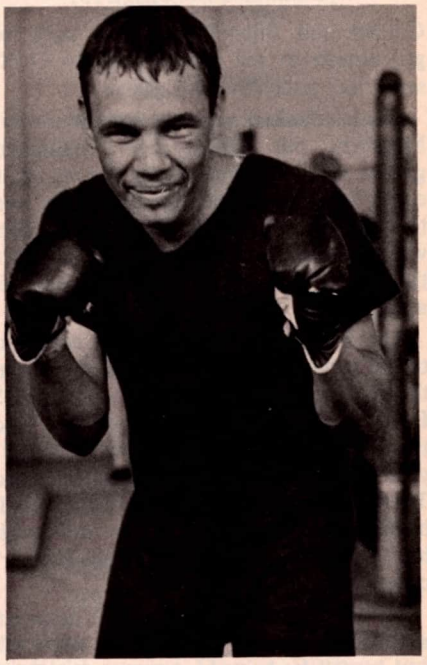

CRUZ MARCANO

VENEZUELA AVANZA FIRME EN EL BOXEO LATINO-AMERICANO

By PEDRO GALIANA

CUANDO Cuba desapareció del tinglado latino-americano como centro de mayoríactividad para los pugilistas hispanos, México, Puerto Rico y Argentina reclamaron los honores, y por un momento pareció que las tres se distanciaban grandemente del resto de las naciones, al presentar en las distintas divisiones algunos de los mejores prospectos. Los tres continúan siendo escenario de las actividades de bien preparados exponentes del deporte; pero, hoy se hace necesario agregar un centro más de importancia, que parece en disposición de enviar sus primeros frutos de gran importancia al extranjero.

Hablamos de Venezuela, cuyo pugilismo parecía estancado desde la inactividad de Pedro Gómez y la visible decadencia del Morocho Hernández. En realidad, el pugilismo venezolano siempre ha adolecido de boxeadores de categoría; por la falta de elementos capaces de moverse con seguridad en las divisiones altas. Desde el peso mediano para arriba.

Los venezolanos han producido muy buenos pesos bajos: Simón Chávez, Oscar Calles, Enrique Chaffardet, Sonny León y Ramón Arias, que llegó a ser campeón del mundo, forman un grupo selecto de los que se vieron en acción desde 1930 en adelante. Fidel García fué un gran esgrimista del boxeo. Del tipo de Kid Chocolate. Del mismo modo que Nelson Estrada, José Alberto Díaz, el "Dum Dom de Maracaibo" y Tony Padrón, que realizó toda su campaña en Miami, La Habana y Buenos Aires, resultaron figuras que siempre constituyeron sólida atracción; pero, en realidad, el deporte nunca logró establecerse en la forma definitiva que lo está haciendo en estos momentos, y quizás todo se deba a las demostraciones de Pedro Gómez y del Morocho Hernández.

Recientemente, Oscar Martínez Conill, representante del "Telestar Sport Club" hizo una larga excursión por la América Central, visitando México, Salvador, Colombia, Venezuela, Panamá y Puerto Rico, y aunque de todas partes posee la mejor impresión, al extremo de afirmar que en menos de dos años el boxeo mundial tendrá que contar muy seriamente con los grandes prospectos latino-americanos, es precisamente de Venezuela donde Conill parece haber encontrado los mejores.

En entrevista exclusiva para THE RING Conill nos ha dicho:

"Venezuela progresa por días y luce destinada a colocarse rápidamente en primer plano. En Caracas nunca ha dejado de pelearse. Pero, ahora es cuando hay más entusiasmo en estos momentos varias arenas que envuelven una serie de prospectos de interés."

"Ramiro Machado está realizando magnífica tarea de promoción, contando con la valiosa ayuda de Enrique Arias, que es su jefe de publicidad. En estos momentos", dice Conill. "Machado tiene las mejores figuras del boxeo venezolano, como los Marcano, Antonio Gómez y José García, y pronto ha de llamar la atención en forma internacional."

Delio Amado León y Cesar González, ayudan también con programas populares en Caracas, haciendo uso del Palacio de los Deportes, mientras Pepe Leal constituye el mejor baluarte del deporte en la ciudad de Maracaibo.

Para preparar a los muchachos, Venezuela cuenta también con entrenadores de primera, destacándose grandemente en el grupo Eloy Montes, que es el que cuida de la buena forma de los Marcanos, de Juan Rivas y Juan Medina.

Después de haber iniciado la presentación de los valores venezolanos en New York con Vicente Rondón, Román Blanco y José Luis Vallejo, Conill, considera que las puertas newyorkinas estarán abiertas de par en par para los mejores exponentes del deporte venezolano en la actualidad. *(Continued on page 39)*

BUGNER, 19, BORN IN HUNGARY, BRITAIN'S NEW HOPE

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Cooper and Billy Walker, the only two guaranteed to sell out Wembley's 11,500 seats, had gone from the scene.

Bugner looked nervous, but impressive. Members put down their champagne glasses to see whether the young giant could fight. Apparently he could. He went to work on Paul Brown in the first round with a powerful left jab and a left hook that had a little of the Henry Cooper look about it.

He dropped the Midlander a couple of times in the second round, and there were the usual appeals to the referee to "Stop it!" In the third round the wining-dining spectators were excited at the showing of a 17 year old lad of whom few had even heard. Then bingo! A right hand, which could have started in Los Angeles and might have finished in New York, found Bugner's chin.

He went down flat. He made a desperate attempt to get up, but his legs were jelly and he fell back, to be counted out. What a debut!

Andy Smith looked sick. The boy didn't know what had hit him. The first encouraging words in the dressing room came from Jarvis Astaire who reminded him that the same thing once happened to Jack Dempsey. True, but not in his first fight!

Smith picked up the ruins. He was close to tears. But all was not lost. The kid asked for a return fight. So Smith patiently planned a comeback. A comeback for a kid of 17 who had had only one professional fight!

Bugner had been digging ditches around St. Ives. Smith put him to work on laying electrical cables and sent him back to the gym. Bugner boxed and boxed and boxed! He volunteered to spar with the best and worst who came in to train.

He went back into the ring six weeks later against moderate opposition and began to mow them down. He has chalked up 18 consecutive wins. The important thing was that his disastrous debut had not sapped his confidence. In 1968 he beat all eleven opponents—ten inside the distance. Paul Brown, who had put the only blot on his record, was twice stopped, the first time in four rounds, the next in three.

In 1969 he was launched against moderate American opposition. For one so young he came out of his task well, beating Jim O'Halloran in April, Tony Ventura in May and Moses Harrell in June. All three fights went the distance of 8 rounds.

Andy Smith insisted he wanted it that way. "Joe has knocked out some of the weaker opposition," boasted Andy. "He learned more against those three Americans than he did in his first dozen contests."

Despite winning all but one of 19 fights, Bugner gained more fame in May, 1968 in the gym when he volunteered to spar with Thad Spencer, who had come to face Eduardo Corletti, the Italian-based heavyweight from Argentina. Spencer wore a heavy headguard, but Bugner's left got under it and snicked the Negro's eye causing a postponement of the fight.

Bugner seems to have the right temperament. He came in as a last minute substitute in March to face a big Jamaican named Ulric Regis at Shoreditch Town Hall in the City of London. After a close fight, which Bugner won on points, Ulric collapsed and died a few days later from a brain hemorrhage.

When Joe heard the news he was heartbroken and retreated to his small house at St. Ives with his wife and six months old baby daughter Amy-Jane. He wouldn't speak to anybody. He recovered from the tragedy two days later and took Andy Smith's advice to get back into the gym.

"When a pilot crashes, he's got to get back into the air soon—or lose his nerve," advised the manager.

Joe got back into the gym—and then back into the ring. He didn't lose his nerve.

Within two weeks he had battered Belgian champion Lion Venn in 5 rounds at Wembley. Then followed the conquest of the Americans O'Halloran, Ventura and Harrell. The kid had come through a second crisis in his career.

Now he is resting till the Fall. There are plans to launch him as the new British Golden Boy.

Though only 19 Bugner already has considerable know-how about the fight game.

For one so young he boxes well and jabs efficiently, but he should not be asked to do too much this year. It has yet to be proved whether he can take a big punch.

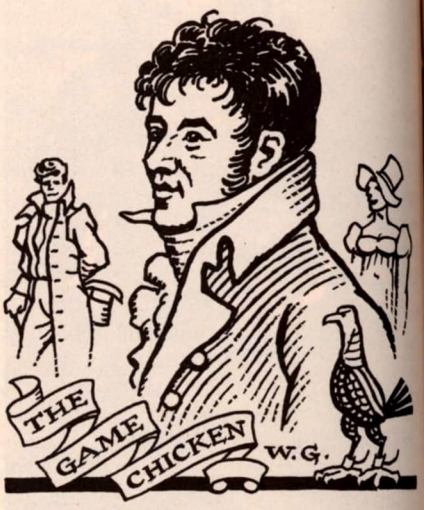
He was little more than a schoolboy when twice stopped as an amateur and only seventeen when Paul Brown put him down and out in his first pro fight. The encouraging thing is that he hasn't been on the floor since. The British are keeping their fingers crossed.

There's a wise saying in the fight game that hungry fighters make the best punchers. Britain hopes that Hungary fighters make the best!

	1967		
Dec. 18	Paul Brown, London	KO by	3
	1968		
Jan. 30	Paul Cassidy, London	RSF	2
Feb. 27	Jim McIlvany, London	RSF	2
March 26	Bert Johnson, London	KO	1
May 6	Mick Oliver, London	Ret	3
May 21	Billy Wynter, London	W	6
May 28	Paul Brown, London	RSF	4
Sep. 18	Obe Hepburn, Wembley	RSF	1
Oct. 8	Vic Moore, London	RSF	1
Nov. 4	Paul Brown, London	RSF	3
Nov. 12	Gene Innocent, Wembley	RSF	3
Dec. 19	George Dulaire, London	RSF	4
	1969		
Jan. 21	Rudolph Vaughan, London	RSF	2
Feb. 25	Terry Feeley, London	RSF	1
March 11	Ulric Regis, London	W	8
March 25	Lion Venn, Wembley	RSF	5
April 15	Jim O'Halloran, London	W	8
May 20	Tony Ventura, London	W	8
June 9	Moses Harrell, Manchester	W	8

RSF—Referee Stopped Fight
Ret—Retired

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING
by Walter Galli



OCT. 8, 1805

The Great Fight for the Championship, between HEN PEARCE—"the Game Chicken"—and JOHN GULLY—"the Butcher Boy"—won by "the Chicken"—64 rounds—bare knuckles

Hailsham, Sussex, in England

WEPNER UPSET BY ROMAN IN TEN ROUNDER IN P.R.

By Rai Garcia

San Juan, Puerto Rico—Chuck Wepner came down from Jersey all primed to beat Joe King Roman whom, at 219 pounds, Chuck outweight by 17. However, Wepner was handed a surprise. Roman scored more points in 30 minutes and Wepner went back North possibly wiser, certainly sadder.

Wilson Yambo, 127, Puerto Rico, outpointed Casto Ramirez, 129, New York, eight rounds. Joe Peterson, 131, Puerto Rico, outpointed Hector Matta, New York, eight rounds.

Andres Hernandez, 112, Puerto Rico, outpointed Willie Pastrana, 110, Puerto Rico, in a four rounder. Pedro Agosto, 198, New York, stopped Les Borden, 211, Montreal, in six rounds.

Vicente Paul Rondon, 176, Venezuela, outpointed Eddie Talhami, 178, in a 10 rounder on another card.

Josue Marquez, 135, Puerto Rico, stopped Joe Cartwright Miami, Fla, in five rounds.

Braulio Rodriguez, 127, Dominican Republic, stopped Francisco Villanueva, 128, Puerto Rico, three rounds.

Pedro Miranda, 160, Cuba, Stopped Bill Douglas, 161¾, Columbus, Ohio, in seven rounds in a featured fight.

Casto Raminez, 128½, New York, Outpointed Wilson Yambo, 126, Puerto Rico.

Angel Espada, 146, Puerto Rico knocked out Roscoe Bell, 147½, Cocoa, Fla, second round.

Francisco Villegas, 128½, Puerto Rico, outpointed Ruben de Jesus, 136, New York, in eight.

Esteban de Jesus, 128, Puerto Rico, stopped Braulio Rodriguez, 128, Dominican Republic, four.

Santos Rivera, 114, Puerto Rico, outpointed Andres Torres, 117, Puerto Rico, four rounds.

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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"Tengo intención de traer pronto a New York a Luis Beltrán Núñez y con él vendrá seguramente Luis Virgilio González . . . Mientras tanto, en la ciudad de Los Angeles debutará Manuel Arnal, que tiene todos los recursos necesarios para convertirse pronto en un idolo de los fanáticos hispanos."

"Una figura que gustará tan pronto ponga los pies en un ring americano será José García, que tiene hermosa proposición del Madison Square Garden. García pega fuerte, tiene velocidad y está mejorando por días. Además, tiene fé en que ha de llegar a ser campeón y esto es muy importante para que un boxeador se abra paso en el deporte."

"Vean el caso de Mantequilla Nápoles" —dice Conill. "Mantequilla estuvo mucho tiempo ignorado en México; pero nunca perdió la fé y la esperanza de coronarse campeón, y tanto él como Cuco Conde, su manager, supieron esperar su chance, sin perder un solo día de entrenamiento. De este modo, cuando la oportunidad tocó a sus puertas, Mantequilla estaba preparado, y supo imponerse de modo convincente, conquistando dos veces—como para no dejar lugar a dudas—a Curtis Cokes. Hoy todos reconocen ya, que Mantequilla es lo mejor que hay en la clase welter y los promotores van tan lejos que hablan de firmarle para presentarle frente al campeón de los medianos, Nino Benvenuti."

"García tiene clase, tiene fé en su futuro y no deja de entrenarse nunca, tres cosas importantes para que se pueda esperar algo grande de él. Su futuro es tan grande como su tamaño y no hay motivos para pensar que pueda echarse a perder."

García está clasificado en Venezuela como solamente segundo de Vicente Rondón, pero, Adalberto Sánchez, que es el clasificador nacional, ve en el joven pugilista grandes posibilidades, y afirma que sus adelantos son tan pronunciados que puede esperarse algo grande de él en menos de tres meses.

"El boxeo venezolano tiene algunos valores de consideración que solo necesitan darse a conocer en el extranjero, preferentemente en los Estados Unidos, para que sean reconocidos como figuras sobresalientes de la división y ésta es la historia de los Marcanos y de José García." —dice Sánchez. Y Conill concuerda con él en todos los sentidos, afirmando que García tiene más chance que ningún otro, porque en los Estados Unidos abundan los boxeadores de su peso y podrá celebrar peleas en forma continuada hasta consagrarse plenamente.

Otros dos muchachos que Conill ve con grandes posibilidades de triunfo son los Marcano: Cruz y Alfredo. De ellos tiene el promotor del "Telestar" las mejores calificaciones y les considera "readies" (listos) para las actividades fuertes de los rings americanos.

"Cruz está detrás de Pedro Gómez en la división pluma en Venezuela" —dice Conill, pero, el que está progresando por días, dando la sensación de que ha de ir directo al campeonato en poco tiempo es Alfredo Marcano.

Alfredo ha llenado un vacío en el boxeo profesional venezolano. Aunque saltó a las filas profesionales al mismo tiempo que Pedro Gómez, la realidad es que en los primeros momentos no avanzó como debió porque se dedicó a pelear solamente en clubs locales de Caracas, y no fué hasta que propinó decisivo knockout a Néstor Rojas, muy bien considerado, que empezó a llamar poderosamente la atención. Después ha tenido victoriosos combates con Frank Leroy, Benny McCall, Raymond Vera, y Jaime "Chamaco" Pérez a los que conquistó en forma convincente. Y finalmente conquistó al bien ranqueado Bernardo Caraballo, a quien venció en una noche de inspiración, en la que demostró toda su fortaleza y extraordinarias condiciones naturales.

Tan decisiva fué la batida que Alfredo propinó al as colombiano, que éste no salió a pelear después del sexto round, y eso sirvió de base para concertar su pelea con Enrique Higgins, que tenía, entre sus distintas actividades, una memorable pelea frente al campeón Raúl Rajos.

Muchos creyeron que ahi estaba firmado el desplome de Alfredo como idolo del ring; pero, en una noche que será inolvidable en los anales del boxeo venezolano, ya que está considerada como la más emocionante en la historia pugilística del pais, el joven caraqueño se impuso otra vez en el sexto round, derrotando tan decisivamente a Higgins, que la victoria le fué adjudicada por knock-out técnico al desplomarle tres veces consecutivas después de feroz acometida.

Conill cree que Alfredo Marcano será una gran atracción en los rings americanos, especialmente en New York, porque mantiene el tren de pelea agresivo que tanto ha caracterizado a Ismael Laguna y eso es lo que gusta a los fans.

Su presentación en New York está señalada para el próximo Invierno.

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RANKING DE LOS BOXEADORES VENEZOLANOS

El último ranking de los boxeadores venezolanos, según ha dado a la bublicidad la oficina del clasificador nacional, señor Adalberto Sánchez, es el siguiente:

PESO SEMI-COMPLETO (Light heavyweight)
1. Vicente Rondón
2. José García
3. Octavio Romero
4. José del C. Rondón

PESO MEDIANO (Middleweight)
1. Luis Beltrán Nuñez
2. Isaac Martínez
3. Marco T. Polanco

PESO WELTER (Welterweight)
1. Antonio Méndez
2. Aroldo Olivares
3. Virgilio González
4. Alberto Bidú
5. Sebastián Reyes

PESO LIGERO (Lightweight)
1. José Vallejo
2. Carlos Hernández
3. José Acosta
4. Román Blanco
5. Julio Viera
6. Guillermo Salcedo
7. Pedro Chirino

PESO PLUMA (Featherweight)
1. Pedro Gómez
2. Cruz Marcano
3. Alfredo Marcano
4. Antonio Gómez
5. Orlando Rivas
6. Frank Leroy
7. Francisco Bolívar
8. Néstor Rojas

PESO GALLO (Bantamweight)
1. Manuel Arnal
2. José Molina
3. Ramón Bravo
4. Eduardo Blanco
5. Eduardo Martínez
6. Antonio Medina

PESO MOSCA (Flyweight)
1. Héctor Criollo
2. Petulio González
3. Luis A. Estrada
4. Hilario Díaz
5. Evencio Burguillos
6. Félix Márquez
7. Fernando Guevas

JERSEY JONES RECALLS

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unable to appear. The other matches pitted Welsh against Frankie Whitney and Kilbane against Harry Donahue.

Jimmy Johnston, at the St. Nicholas Arena, also featured all-star bouts in that era. We recall the night when Jimmy paired Ted (Kid) Lewis with Al Badoud, Frankie Burns with Frankie Brown, and Joe Welling with Tommy Tuohey.

Another popular arena in those days where all-star programs were a usual thing was the Manhattan Casino, across from the Polo Grounds.

With the Walker Law returning professional boxing to New York in 1920, Lew Raymond got back into circulation. For a while he functioned at the Queensboro, but he staged some notable all-star cards at the Boxing Drome in the Bronx. It was on one of those programs that Bob Martin, the A.E.F. heavyweight champion, finished Frank Moran's career, and in supporting bouts Lew offered such popular local attractions as Paul Doyle, Marty Cross and Midget Smith.

The greatest all-star billing ever presented in New York was, of course, the Carnival of Champions sponsored by the late Mike Jacobs in the Polo Grounds in 1937. Mike had arranged for four world championship matches, but one of them, the middleweight clash between Marcel Thil and Fred Apostoli, failed to receive title recognition from the New York State Athletic Commission, which listed Freddie Steele as champion. The other bouts on that historic program teamed bantamweights Sixto Escobar and Harry Jeffra; lightweights Lou Ambers and Pedro Montanez, and welterweights Barney Ross and Ceferino Garcia.

But boxing, like the old grey mare, ain't what it used to be. Sic transit gloria!

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending August 20, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Al Jones (Fla.) beat Henry Clark, 10. Pat Duncan outpointed Don Staab, 10. Ken Norton halted Gary Bates, 8.

John Griffin beat Lou Hicks, 10. George Foreman kayoed Sylvester Dulliare, 1, Fred Ashew, 1. Pedro Agosta halted Leslie Bordon, 6. Jack O'Halloran outpointed Carl Gizzi, 10. Jack Bodell beat Jose Roman, 10.

Kent Green outpointed Willie McIntyre, 8. Paul Wright decisioned Charley Polite, 8. Bill Castro kayoed Laverne Williams, 4. Tommy Hicks drew with Bob Mashburn, 6. Forest Ward stopped Al Banks, 5.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Ray Anderson kayoed Billy Marsh, 3. Yvan Prebeg beat Eddie Avoth, 15, European light heavyweight title.

Jose Torres stopped Charlie Green, 2. Eddie Jones outpointed Eddie Parotte, 10. George Johnson stopped Randy Stevens, 10. Johnny Smith halted Paul Patin, 6. Pete Riccitelli beat Boom Boom Geoffrion, 10. Chuck Leslie decisioned Fred Lewis, 10. Roy Lee won from BoJack Williams, 10.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez halted Eddie Owens, 7. Emile Griffith stopped Dick DiVeronica, 7. Denny Moyer beat Rocky Hernandez, 10.

Fraser Scott kayoed Ted Lidgett, 2. Carlos Monzon halted Harold Richardson, 3. George Perez kayoed Gene Thompson, 4. Joe Shaw halted Johnny Doyan, 3. Ralph Palladin stopped Spider Freeman, 6. Pedro Mirando kayoed Billy Douglas, 7.

Andy Heilman beat Jimmy Lester, 10. Manuel Avitia outpointed Johnny Brooks, 10. Johnny Wise decisioned Jose Rodriguez, 10. Billy Marsh, 10. Al Stanky beat Rudy Escobedo, 10. Billy Hester drew with Dub Huntley, 10.

Junichi Naito outpointed Yoshiaki Eto, 10. Luis Vinales beat Lloyd Nelson, 8. Tommy Foss halted Dick McCarthy, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Jose Napoles stopped Curtis Cokes, 10, to retain world welterweight title.

Percy Pugh lost to Miguel Barreto, 10. Hedgemon Lewis outpointed Ernie Lopez, 10. Jerry Pellegrini beat Billy Backus, 10.

Manuel Gonzalez decisioned Dario Hidalgo. Jean Josselin kayoed Roy Hassen, 6. Pepper Romero beat Tony Dowling, 10. David Oropeza decisioned Nate Williams, 10. Johnny Brooks outpointed Jose Gabino, 10. Severo Balboa won from Cassius Green, 10.

Roberto Amaya beat Rocky Medrano, 10. Charlie Shipes decisioned Chucho Garcia, 10. Rocky Alarde outpointed Beneki Fujikura, 10. Chuck Mince beat Sam Wilson, 6. Tommy Torinos beat Joe Washington, 6.

Jack Tillman halted Allen Moten, 3. Angel Ortiz beat Fred Larson, 4. Gary Bailey halted Joe Williams, 6.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Bruno Arcari stopped Floyd Blevins, 2. Joao Henrique beat Eddie Perkins, 10. Eugene Espinoza lost to Ismael Laguna, 10.

Horacio Saldano decisioned Adan Gomez, 10. Rodolfo Gonzalez halted Julio Viera, 2. Enrique Jana drew with Bobby Sedillo, 10. Pajarito Corona lost to Sinchi Kadota, 10.

Larry Harrding kayoed Beto Estrada, 3. Jimmy Robertson halted Maco Medina, 5. Teddy Cooper drew with Adrian Davis, 8. Lion Furuyam stopped Alberto Cruz, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ismael Laguna beat Eugenio Espinoza, Genaro Soto, 10. Ken Buchanan kayoed Jerry Graci, 1.

Carlos Aro drew with Cirilo Pausa, 10. Jaguar Kakizawa outpointed Percy Hayles, 10. Eduardo Mazon kayoed Gabe Peralta, 4. Christ Fernandez halted Al Hughes, 7.

Sinichi Kadota beat Pajarato Corona, 10. Bruno Marggiocaro decisioned Omar Oliva, 8. Frankie Otero halted Francisco Maldanano, 2.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Hiroshi Kobayashi kayoed Vic Ramos, 2, nontitle. Yoshiaka Numata beat Ricard Bermisa, 10. Richard Sue lost to Alfredo Marcano, 10.

Silverio Ortiz decisioned Babe Vazquez, 10. Leo DiFiore beat Roger Boy, 10, lost to Juan Collado, 10. Isao Ichihara won from Norio Endo, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Johnny Famechon beat Fighting Harada, 15, to retain world featherweight title.

Vicente Saldivar outpointed Jose Legra, 10. Dwight Hawkins kayoed Nouo Chiba, 1. Aurello Muniz stopped Ernesto Douglas, 4. Vic Jimenez beat Rogelio Tulengahari, 10. Flash Gallego halted Kenji Hayashi, 5. Sammy Goss won from Ivelaw Eastman, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Ruben Olivares halted Nene June, 1. Chucho Castillo stopped Rudy Gonzalez, 2. Mario Manrique kayoed Domi Manalang, 10.

Katsuyoshi Takayama beat Leo Calderon, 10. Lenny Brice kayoed Rudy Corona, 3. Billy Brown halted Norbert Lopez, 5. Eiji Morioka kayoed Roger Moreno, 5.

FLYWEIGHTS

Hiroyuki Ebihara kayoed Jose Lopez, 1. Fermin Gomez stopped Katsuhiro Harada, 9. Ricardo Delgado kayoed O Un Mo, 3. Cordobes beat Willie Cordova, 10. Masao Ohba decisioned Sakdinoi ETO, 10.

"FRAZIER IS IN FOR A BIG SURPRISE!"

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for him. I know that when I'm dancing he's going to be trying to catch up with me, and I'm figuring on making him put a little wear on his legs.

If he stands still and doesn't try to come to me, then that's going to make it better for me to just bounce around and pick him off.

I have to use all the techniques I know to make the guy pull out of his style and come into the style I want to fight. This is the way every fight goes. Quarry didn't fight his own style. So that means Frazier wins.

When I fought Quarry I made him fight my style and that's why I won. If I can pull a man into my style, then I have the man trapped. And if he pulls me into his style, then he's got me trapped.

But I try to use my head at all times and not fall into the other man's trap.

I've fought men with styles similar to Frazier's. Bonavena is a burly-type fighter. And Leotis Martin was another guy who came and tried to throw a lot of gloves at me and put pressure on me. These guys tried to run me down.

When I run into these kind of guys, I know I'm going to have a pretty easy time because I don't have to look for them. I can do what I want to do. All I have to do is mind my p's and q's and outsmart them. This is the thing I believe is going to help me with Joe Frazier.

It's hard to say where I might be able to hurt Frazier. He's got a good defense. His defense, I think, is mostly his offense. He just likes to throw a lot of leather. But it's no telling. Bonavena dug him around the body once, and Frazier complained to the referee about a low blow.

Now, I don't know whether it was a low blow or not. But I do know that he complained about getting hit in the body. And I know I can hurt him with a jab. I think he got his jaw or something hurt against Bonavena.

This guy Joe is no ironman. He has been hurt, and he has been dumped. So I look to hurt him with good right hands. I look to hurt him with a jab. I figure if the jab is clicking and working good, well, it's going to swell him up. He's no steel man. I look to hurt him with a lot of things.

And when it's over, I look to be heavyweight champion of the world—including those six states and some foreign countries.

CLAY'S INCREASED JEOPARDY SPURS FRAZIER AND ELLIS

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brought him a year's suspension by the Black Muslims' chief, Elijah Muhammad, with inexorable Time rusting Cassius more and more and his will to fight weakened, the importance of the Frazier-Ellis match already has grown to quasi-title magnitude.

Behind Ellis stands the World Boxing Association, with an influence weakened immeasurably by the fact that so many of its member states no longer have any boxing.

Behind Frazier's claim to title status are six states, led by New York.

Thus Joe and Jimmy are the bellwethers in a power war, as well as in a struggle for personal prestige, financial gain, and world acclaim.

When they enter the ring, they will fight with their records as they stand, Joe's most recent victory being the KO of Jerry Quarry in seven rounds. Ellis has not fought since last September 14, when he got that disputed decision over Floyd Patterson in Sweden.

Chances are that Frazier, recognized as the stronger puncher, will go into the fight a 5 to 3 favorite over Ellis.

Frazier and Ellis have stopped sparring around and now appreciate that they have nowhere to go except into the same ring, to resolve the question of superiority.

For the clear winner there will be a bonanza then and there, and a Golconda in the offing.

Boxing needed Clay badly when he came along with his glib tongue, his poetry, his gab and his picturesque comedy.

His KO victory over Sonny Liston, who was neither gracious nor so free that he could get a boxing license in the state of New York, was an undoubted benefice to boxing.

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VIETNAM VETERAN MAC FOSTER LOOMS AS HEAVY THREAT

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in June 1968. The "Bear" had run through what few sparmates he could lure into the ring with him and had sent out an SOS.

DiFuria answered Liston's call and said that Big Mac would work with Sonny. As in most sparring drills with Liston involved, no quarter was asked.

Sonny was his usual brutal self, but a Foster right hand found Liston's chin and the former heavyweight king tumbled to the floor. As is the case in gym knockouts or knockdowns, there are three versions—each fighter's and the truth.

"There was more than 100 people watching and they all know it was a clean punch that put Liston down," DiFuria recalls.

The Liston affair made it tough for DiFuria to line up name opponents for his man. After disposing of Hilton, DiFuria managed to keep Foster busy the rest of 1968 with six additional bouts, which produced six knockout wins. But the opposition wasn't what one would call first quality.

Roger Rischer, a cagey veteran who had been around with the best, including Liston, was next for Foster, who trimmed down from 222 to 209.

Rischer came up with all the tricks he could muster, but the firepower of Foster was awesome. He floored Roger in the third, and also sent him flying out of the ring. In the fourth, he finished him off with a powerful right cross.

Thad Spencer was next. Here was a well-seasoned campaigner who had beaten Ernie Terrell in the WBA's heavyweight elimination tournament. It was true that Thad was going downhill fast, losing to Jerry Quarry, Leotis Martin and Billy Walker.

But, those close to Spencer said he hadn't trained as hard as he should have for those three setbacks and he would be in top condition and give Foster a boxing lesson.

Foster came out "smoking" as Joe Frazier says and demolished Spencer in a little over two minutes. The crowd of 6200 went wild and a bunch of Foster rooters carried him (at 209) around the ring in a victory celebration. The gate was just a shade under $40,000, largest yet in Fresno.

Largest turnstile counts should be forthcoming in Fresno, a city that has been Mac's home since he was two. His father, Erwin Foster, moved there from Louisiana.

The elder Foster was an army man, stationed at Camp Livingstone in Louisiana, when his future heavyweight was born. Even at a tender age, Mac was big and strong.

"I was one of nine children and had to work to help out. I did my share of picking in the fruit fields around Fresno. Working 10 to 12 hours was common, but I guess this all conditioned me for boxing," said Mac.

During his high school days, Foster excelled in football.

While a senior in high school, Mac decided he wanted to become a Marine. Following the usual boot training, he was sent to Japan, where he became interested in boxing. He was an instant success and in just a short period he won the Japan Marine title.

"I never really thought seriously about a professional career, till I got mad about Clay's popping off, so I decided I would turn pro, hoping our paths may cross in the ring someday."

A quiet, good natured fellow, Mac doesn't smoke or drink and at age 26, plans to stay in the bachelor ranks as long as he can.

While the paychecks have been improving, he is salting most of it away and is content to drive a six-year-old car.

What Mac Foster wants to do most is to improve. One wonders, after 18 knockouts in 18 fights, where he really is headed.

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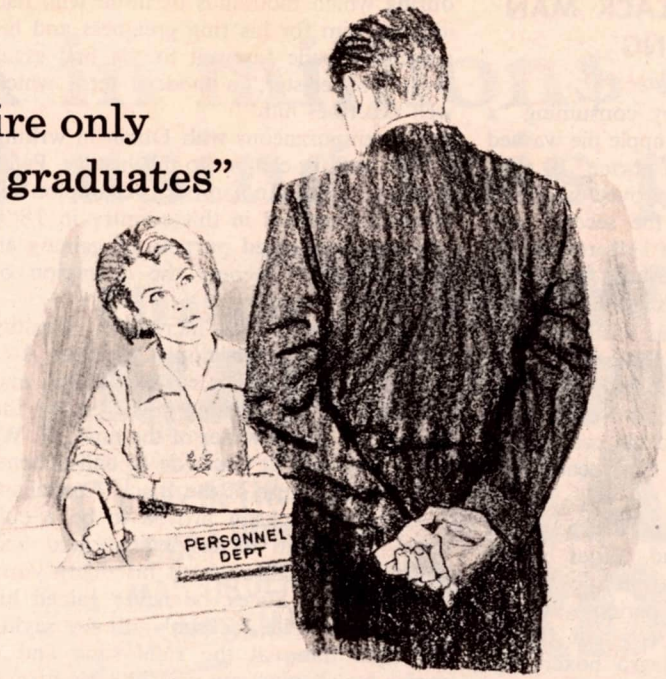

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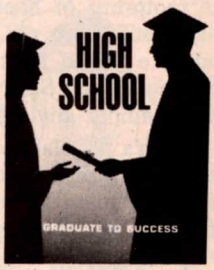

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THE AMERICAN BLACK MAN AND BOXING

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Cribb and conditioning by consuming "a whole chicken and a huge apple pie washed down by large quantities of porter" 10 minutes before the fight. He proved no problem for the Englishman the second time around, succumbing in the 11th round. He offered little resistance, several times falling to the canvas through sheer exhaustion.

Molyneaux's decline was hastened by a general physical disintegration brought about by dissipation. He ended his days in Ireland in pathetic fashion, his once powerful frame emaciated and his constitution shattered by his excesses, Molyneaux died on August 4, 1818.

The Black beginnings in the ring had their inception in England. What boxing among Negroes there was in the United States in the ante bellum period was confined to plantation entertainment 'bouts' between husky slaves. Negro boxers appeared in the North following the Civil War but there was little public reaction to them until the appearance in Boston of George Dixon in the early Nineties.

Dixon, a native Nova Scotian, was the first genuine Colored sports hero in the United States. He was the first recognized Negro boxing champion, winning the bantam and featherweight championships. Surprisingly, he suffered little from the prejudices of the period. He was sponsored and patronized by a wealthy and influential group of Boston sports figures who engaged Tom O'Rourke to handle him.

O'Rourke, a bulldoggish, adamant character saw to it that Dixon rarely got the worst of it during his long and lustrous career lasting from 1886 to 1906. O'Rourke was such a powerful personality, that with the footprints of Sherman's Civil War invasion still fresh on Southern soil, Dixon fought a mixed bout against the amateur champion Jack Skelly in New Orleans in 1892 without any significant incident.

Dixon's popularity with the public grew as his fame increased, aided by his habit of promenading through the poorer sections of towns and distributing coins and bills to the ragged inhabitants. This largesse, while humane, was to haunt his final years with poverty. But drink was his real undoing and the way was downward following his defeat by, and his loss of the featherweight championship to Terry McGovern in 1900. He appeared in England and fought for several years after that but his glory years were long gone.

Dixon never overcame his failing for liquor, dooming himself to an untimely end in 1909 at the age of 39. Some idea of the hold George Dixon had on the American public comes in the public response to his passing. His body lay in state in a New York funeral parlor for three days during which thousands of those who had idolized him for his ring greatness and his generosity bade farewell to the first great Negro 'super-star,' a modern term which well describes him.

Contemporaneous with Dixon in writing a 19th century chapter to this history, Peter Jackson, West Indian-born champion of Australia, arrived in this country in 1888 with the announced purpose of gaining an opportunity to become the champion of the world.

His reception was incredible. Wealthy members of the prestigious California Athletic Club gave him a royal welcome and a delegation of sporting men led by the most noted sports writer of the time, W. W. Naughton, was at dockside to enlist themselves in the cause of the Black Australian.

Although Jackson proved to be a cultured gentleman of refinement, and was hailed as such throughout his many years in the United States, he never gained his objective. Despite Jackson's gift for saying the right thing at the right time and a genius for allaying any bias with his formal dignity and manners, John L. Sullivan was able to take refuge behind the 'color line' in denying the Negro aspirant his chance.

While this did not sit well with a goodly portion of the public and clouded Sullivan's claims to world championship status, there was no way to force John L. to abandon his position. Dethroning boxing bodies were unknown in those days and had such a move been attempted, John L.'s adulation by the public was so deep-seated it would never have been tolerated.

Jackson took this denial with the resigned decorum which added to his stature as a man.

Sympathy for his cause gained him such popularity that, as was the custom in those days, he toured the country meeting 'all comers' in exhibitions and was well received upon the stage, playing the leading role in 'Uncle Tom's Cabin.' His most notable contest in this country was the classic 61-round draw with Jim Corbett in San Francisco in 1891.

Jackson's fame and prestige were further enhanced following his victory over Frank P. Slavin, the British Empire champion, in London in 1892. Sullivan was no longer champion, having been beaten by Corbett. But upon his return to America, Jackson found Corbett now unwilling to oppose him a second time.

Stunned by the futility of his quest, Jackson, a lover of the good life to begin with, now surrendered himself to the indulgences of dalliance.

Liquor and women drained him of his vitality and skill and he was a pitiable knockout victim of James J. Jeffries in his final fight in 1898. His body wracked by tuberculosis, his mind and spirit tormented by frustration, Peter Jackson expired in his adopted homeland of Australia in 1901 at the age of 40.

Boxing purists insist that the Jeffries-Jackson fight was the first one for the world heavyweight title. They deny anything more than the American championship to John L. Sullivan because he would not fight Jackson.

Because of John L.'s disputed title, Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons also have flawed championships.

Although like Dixon he was born elsewhere, Peter Jackson's impact on the circumstances and the future of the Negro boxer in America was monumental. A victim of injustice, he contributed much towards molding a favorable image of all fighters generally and is a towering figure in the history of Black boxers in the American ring.

Here in abridgment is a recounting of the highlighted Negro fighters of the 19th Century. There were other great ones, notably Joe Gans and the Original Joe Walcott, but these two fought well into the 1900s.

Several important points are pre-eminent in this essay. The first shows that even the pioneer Negroes in the ring had little difficulty gaining white support and sponsorship. Secondly, that in three of the four individuals dealt with here, the blandishments and temptations of success had sorry consequences, and third and most important three of the four were held in such high popular regard by the public of their era they served the dual role of being goodwill ambassadors in an ethnic sense as well as being famous fighters.

MATHIS PULLS OUT OF FIGHT WITH LEWIS, GETS VACATION FROM COMMISSION

By Leonard LaBarre

Grand Rapids, Mich.—The newsmaker hereabouts is Buster Mathis. Buster pulled out of a bout with Alvin Lewis, and was suspended by the Michigan commission, headed by Charles P. (Chuck) Davey. Buster decided to leave his training camp, refusing to follow the regulations set up by his manager, Jimmy Iselin.

Buster has had several complications involving his managers and trainers ever since he turned pro. He originally was signed by Leonard LaBarre and Johnny Butler; and then came Al Bachman and Charley Goldman; then Jimmy Iselin and associates.

All were handicapped by Buster's friends and advisors.

When a fighter is training for an important fight, he should push himself to the limit of his endurance. If he cannot, or will not, do this—then he cannot make it.

▶ Hedgemon Lewis, developed in Michigan, has advanced rapidly in the past year, and his big win over Ernie "Indian Red" Lopez has placed him in position to challenge for the welterweight title. He defeated the number one contender and reversed his only previous loss.

▶ Detroit's Leonard Hutchins, now stationed in Philadelphia, is making rapid advancement. Hutchins was the National A.A.U. and National Golden Gloves light heavyweight champion last year. Toledo's Willie McMillian is ready to move up. Wes Ramey and his son have opened a gym in Grand Rapids.

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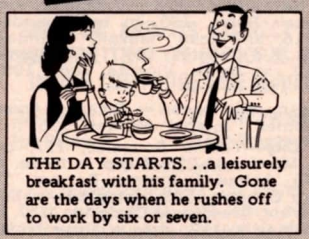
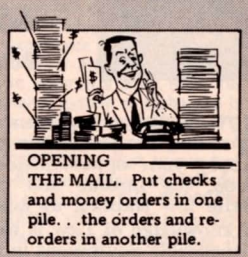
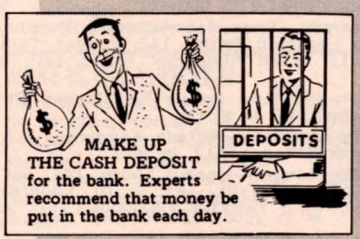


THE DAY STARTS. . .a leisurely breakfast with his family. Gone are the days when he rushes off to work by six or seven.

THE FIRST STEP. The mail arrives and the mail order day begins.



OPENING THE MAIL. Put checks and money orders in one pile. . .the orders and re-orders in another pile.



MAKE UP THE CASH DEPOSIT for the bank. Experts recommend that money be put in the bank each day.

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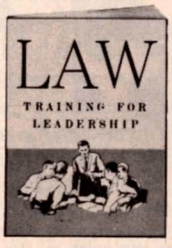

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NAPOLES' WINNING DEFENSE STANDS OUT IN MEXICAN ACTION

By Eduardo Amer G.

Mexico City, D.F.—In a re-match, Jose Angel "Mantequilla" Napoles, 144, retained his world welterweight championship, winning by a TKO from Curtis Cokes, 146, in 11 rounds. Chucho Castillo, 120, stopped Ernie de la Cruz, 124, Philippine Islands, in 5. Ruben Olivares, 119, TKO'd Nene June, 117, in the first round. Ultiminio "Sugar" Ramos, 137, former featherweight king, kayoed Rudy Gonzalez, 135, Philippine Islands, after a layoff of two years. The knockout came in the second round. Salvador Medina, 124, TKO'd Juan Luna, 125, in three.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan—Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 129, easily outpointed veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 134, in 10 rounds. Memo Rodriguez, 118, halted Tigre Bracamonte, brother of "Torero", 118, in seven. Benny Cortes, 125, whipped Juan Padilla, 122, in 10. Babe San Martin, 117, and Gallito Lozada, 118, drew in six. Gerónimo Ku, 123, won from Victor Salazar, 124, in four.**

▶ **Ensenada, Baja, California**—Humberto Ramos, 127, TKO'd Juan Ruiz, 126, in nine.

▶ **Cuernavaca, Morelos**—Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 112, stopped Jose "Pinocho" Vallejo, 113, in two. Enrique Peñaranda, 125, Bolivia, TKO'd Alvaro Millan, 125, in six.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—José "Torito" Silva, 118, beat Rach Camara, 117, in 10 rounds. Jose "Dinamita" Hernandez, 126, technically stopped Alex "Chino" Salas, 130, in two rounds. Jose Medina, 116, and Jose "Makalu" Mendez, 118, drew in six. Kid Copetes, 109, TKO'd Memo Contreras, 112, in three. Vicente Pool, 109, beat Paco Diaz, 112, in four.

▶ **Apatzingan, Michoacan** — Ricardo Arredondo, 124, embalmed "Jalapa" Montes, 125, in three.

▶ **Mexico City**—Teofilo Gonzalez, 117, put Roberto San Martin, 117, to sleep in three. Romeo Anaya, 116, halted Guillermo Barrera, 116, in two. Sotero Cabrera, 133, defeated Apolinar Lopez, 134, in six. Crescencio Castañon, 117, kayoed Felipe San Martin, 117, in four. Jorge Mejia, 123, stopped Jesus Diaz, 124, in two.

▶ **Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas**—Crispin Benitez, 143, TKO'd Leonardo Patiño, 145, in four. Saul Montana, 117, nailed "Pingüino" Torres, 120, in five.

▶ **Guanajuato**—Roberto Peña, 152, stopped Benito Contreras, 151, in three.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Alfredo Landeros, 113, TKO'd "Zorrita" Yepez, 112, in four.

▶ **Hermosillo, Sonora**—Manuel Fierro, 144, outpointed "Colorado" Felix, 145, in 10. Eduardo Coffey, 150, KO'd Gonzalo Villalobos, 151, in seven.

▶ **Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas** — Rene "Mochila" Morgan, 117, stopped Jorge Flores, 117, in four. "Gorrion" Benitez, 112, lost to Jaime Alegria, 111, in 10.

▶ **Mexico City**—Hipolito Hernandez, 125, TKO'd Genaro Gayaton, 125, in the 10th. Jose Camargo, 123, Yucatan, iced Angel Macias, 124, in the opening round. Margarito Hernandez, 124, starched Jose Salas, 123, in two. Jose Ramirez, 143, whipped Isaac Quintas, 144, in six. Porfirio Vazquez, 125, beat Antonio Sanchez, 126, in four.

▶ **Irapuato, Guanajuato** — Goyo Martinez, 116, stopped Salvador Figueroa, 117, in three.

▶ **Monterey, Nuevo Leon**—Jose Angel Zamora, 134, decisioned Crisanto Valenzuela, 135, in 10. Ramiro Ruvalcaba, 125, stopped Crispin Rodriguez, 125, in three.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Santiago "San" Chavez, 112, outscored Roberto Alvarez, 114, in 10. Pablo Vega, 117, TKO'd Beto Maya, 117, in three.

▶ **San Luis Potosi**—Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 140, stopped Jose Torres, 142, in three.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 127, TKO'd Manny Torres, 129, in four. "Torero" Bracamontes, 125, TKO'd Carlos "Baby" Vazquez, 132, in six. Juan Padilla, 118, TKO'd Ariel "Panterita" Nuñez, 118, in four. Magallo "Gallito" Lozada, 118, nailed William Garcia, 120, in five. Virgilio Estrella, 105, won from Rufino Gallegos, 106, in four.

▶ **Chetumal, Quintana Roo** — Babe Luis, 118, stopped Kid Coyote, 121, in five. Chamaco Camara, 115, and Millan Espadas, 113, drew in six. Zorro Aguilar, 129. TKO'd Nany Kid, 130, in one. Zurdo Ku, 117, bested Chamaco Gonzalez, 116, in four.

▶ **Mexico City**—Raymundo Cardoso, 117, halted Juan Rodriguez, 116, in six. Nemesio Zenil, 111, was stopped by Blas Arellano, 112, in 10. Raul Manjarrez, 113, bombed Pablo Ronses, 113, in one. Raymundo Garcia, 120, whipped Jose Sanchez, 121, in six. Jose Luis Diaz, 117, beat Jose Luis Martinez, 118, in four.

▶ **Merida, Yucatan**—Jose Luis "Chamaco" Catina, 111, a very good fighter, bested Hilario "Panameño" Lopez, 116, in 10. Rach Camara, 117, disposed of Sergio "Cordobes" Aguirre, 118, in four. Jose "Dinamita" Hernandez, 126, flattened Andres Velazquez, 127, in three. Kid Copetes, 108, outpunched Panterita Casanova, 110, in six. Vicente Pool, 109, won as he pleased in four from Panchito Cruz, 110.

▶ **Acapulco**—Alex Olguin, 138, TKO'd Manuel Andrade, 141, in seven. Marcos Aguilar, 124, knocked out Chuy Garay, 123, in three. Zurdo Palacios, 114, polished off "Chamaco" Valdovinos, 114, in one.

▶ **Gomez Palacio, Durango**—Roberto Cervantes, 117, TKO'd Julio Cesar Segura, 117, in five. Nicolas Peralta, 126, stopped Memo Rodriguez, 128, in seven. Memo Luna, 144, iced Jose Luis won over Lorenzo Ramirez, 111, in six. Lupe Flores, 125, in three. Chucho Contreras, 111, three. Delfino Camacho, 124, embalmed Rafael Vazquez, 135, stopped Agustin Chavez, 134, in nesto Douglas, 124, Panama, in four. Ruben

▶ **Mexico City**—Aurelio Muñiz, 125, TKO'd Ex Carrillo, 141, in the opening round. Hernandez, 110, defeated Luis Bautista, 111, in four.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Clemente Sanchez, 123, won by a disqualification from Ray Vega, 124, in six. Rosalio Muro, 124, flattened Santos Luna, 124, in five.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Felipe Vaca, 141, won from Johnny Gonzalez, 140, in 10. Gabriel Martinez, 116, decisioned Manuel "Manny" Camay, 117, in 10.

▶ **Guaymas, Sorora**—Jose "Chino" Morales, 119, TKO'd Jesse Lopez, 118, in three. one. Benjamin Ibañez, 111, whipped Carlos Vaz-

▶ **Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua**—Manuel Barrios, 125, outscored Rogelio Fernandez, 125, in 10. Eliseo Estrada, 118, stopped Isidro Diaz, in seven.

▶ **Mexico City**—Fernando Fernandez, 117, TKO'd Chucho Montoya, 118, in six. Raymundo Rodriguez, 134, disposed of Joaquin Mendez, 133, in one. Benjamin Ibañez, 111, whipped Carlos Zazquez, 110, in six. Valentin Martinez, 112, and Esteban Rangel, 112, drew in six. Guillermo Hernandez, 134, kayoed Delfino Reina, 134, in four.

▶ **Nogales, Sonora**—Chucho Alvarado, 122, halted Cenobio Ruiz, 124, in two.

▶ **Acapulco**—Willie Warren, 151, of USA, nailed Art Astudillo, 150, in two. Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 142, TKO'd Mario Olmedo, 137, in one. Cutberto Vazquez, 121, TKO'd Jesus Lopez, 121, in two.

▶ **Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—Ney Gordillo, 125, won an unpopular decision from Baby Ricalde, 124, in 10.

▶ **Mexico City**—Alfredo "Canelo" Urbina, 135, stopped Ubaldino "Dino" del Cid, 135, Panama, in two rounds. Leoncio Ortiz, 134, TKO'd Silvestre Perez, 134, in seven. Elias Morales, 117, TKO'd Joel Garcia, 116, in two. Miguel Gomez, 116, TKO'd Manuel Rodriguez, 117, in three. Javier Torres, 117, TKO'd Rafael Soto, 116, in two. Martin Lopez, 122, won over Manuel Morales, 123, in six.

▶ **Guadalajara**—Ray Lazo, 125, decisioned Beto Lara, 124, in ten. Teo Jimenez, 124, halted Pepe Silva, 125, in eight.

▶ **Monterrey**—Andres Reyes, 118, TKO'd Jose Eleuterio Luna, 119, in the 10th and last round. Joaquin Ulloa, 114, destroyed Estudiante Flores, 114, in four.

▶ **Mexico City**—Mauro Trejo, 126, stopped Francisco "Panchito" Muñoz, 125, in the first round. Raymundo Rodriguez, 135, TKO'd Francisco Robledo, 134, in six. Jose Ostria, 124, defeated Manuel Segura, 124, in six. Jose Cruz, 111, gained a clear decision over Ricardo Falcon, 110, in four. Felipe "Pascualito" Valencia, 116, stopped Tomas Cruz, 117, in the second round.

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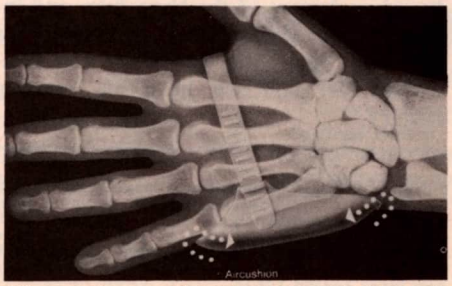

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LATIN AMERICAN IMPORTS GO ● OUT EARLY IN JAPAN ●

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—Our three world champions, two of whom have only WBA recognition, had little work in disposing of opponents imported from Latin America.

Hiroshi Kobayashi flattened Victor Ramos, Ecuador's lightweight titlist, in two.

Featherweight speedster Shozo Saijo's vicious left hook had Marcel Cido, Mexico, out in the opening session.

Hard punching flyweight Hiroyuki Ebihara proved too much for another Mexican named Jose Garcia Lopez with a second round kayo.

Ushiwakamaru Harada, national bantam ruler, barely kept his laurels with a severely criticized decision after a 10 round slugfest with Yoshio Nakane.

A one-sided upset was registered by Jun-ichi Naito, who outclassed Yoshiaki Eto, favored middleweight leader of Japan. Eto's title was not at stake. Naito stands unbeaten in eight starts.

▶ Saijo, the WBA's international feather titlist, hardly got up a sweat in halting Cido, a shorter Mexican, at 2 minutes 5 seconds of the opening session. After a cautious start Saijo's well-timed hook located Cido's jaw. The Mexican went down and received the counting, on one knee.

At ten Cido was up and insisted on continuing the battle. Referee Ken Morita declared a knockout. A riot took place around the ring-side.

Saijo drew 5,000 spectators at Fukuoka Sports Center, Fukuoka. One of the mob climbed the apron, crying, "Fake, fake!" It took half an hour to put down the booing mob.

Tamiyoshi Taniguchi, a lefty welterweight, suffered his seventh setback in a row via a kayo by Masaki Nomoto in one.

▶ Korakuen Hall witnessed a hot encounter between Koichi Wajima, 147, and loser Hideo Kusanagi, 146½, in nine furious rounds. Kusanagi hitherto was undefeated.

Gleason Seeks Boxers For Capetown Bouts

By JOHN ORT

ACCORDING to S. S. Vokwana, boxing promoter in Capetown, South Africa, the professional sport is flourishing down there as never before.

Visiting the offices of The Ring on a tour of the U.S., Vokwana announced he had named Bobby Gleason, veteran manager, as his American representative. Gleason said he would be assisted by Jack Barrett, former matchmaker of Madison Square Garden.

Vokwana explained that, under South African laws, he could promote fights only between colored contestants.

"Boxing at Capetown has grown to a point at which we must import worthwhile colored competition," Vokwana said.

"This means that we seek top flight imports. We do not want culls and rejects. We appreciate that if we seek the best we must pay for it.

"We found that we could not rely on outside sources to furnish the type of boxers we want from the U.S., so we have appointed Bobby Gleason to find the right kind of boxers to represent this country in our promotions so far away from New York. Gleason will be assisted by Jack Barrett.

"Good Hope Promotions, part of Mavuso Enterprises, has been putting on fights in Capetown for three years.

"We have developed quite a few splendid pros in the Cape area. These include top featherweights Levy Medi and Anthony Merodi; junior lightweight Shole Moekone; middleweight Ezram Mziyone; welterweights Mekeed Mofekeng and Gabriel Dlamini; and heavyweight Ezram Ngeobo.

"Through Gleason, we wish to assure American boxers of the bona fides and integrity of our promotion. You come down here and fight, you get what you contracted for, and we have an amazing country."

▶ Nobuo Chiba's footwork and looping rights carried him to an upset unanimous decision over Fernando Sote, Mexico, in 10 at Korakuen Hall. Chiba, national feather boss at 128½, overcame a deficit suffered in the first three rounds with his busy hit-and-run in the latter half. The Mexican loser scaled 126½.

In the semi, Mikio Yokoi, a jr. lightweight lefty, stopped Shoji Goto in one.

▶ An all-out rally of bantams was furious enough to entertain 2,000 at Korakuen Hall.

Ushiwakamaru (Katsuhiro) Harada, bantam boss of Japan, was held to a disputed split draw by crafty Yoshio Nakane in 10.

The tide turned in almost every round. Midway in the give-and-take, Nakane, a veteran speedster, solved the windmill barrage of the champion. Yoshio's swift combinations often shook up the brother of Fighting Harada.

Nakane received a cut on his head in the fourth and over his left optic in the eighth. Yoshio appeared to have a slight edge at the final bell. The official scores were 47-46 (for Nakane), 46-47 (for Harada) and 46-46.

The draw came in Harada's first defense since dethroning Eigo Takagi in October 1968.

The champion scaled 117½, a quarter pound heavier than Yoshio. In the semi, Turtle (Yoshimitsu) Okabe, 156½, outpointed Saburo Saito, 156¾ in 10.

▶ Sakdinoi Eto, 115, Thai flyweight leader, was no match for Masao Ohba, 113, and dropped a shutout verdict in 10 heats at Korakuen Hall. The Thai was floored for the mandatory eight in the third.

The supporting six rounders resulted in quick knockouts. Yoshio Fumihara, feather, halted Morihisa Kobayashi in two. The loser's KO streak was stopped at six. Welterweight Seiichi Fujimori kayoed Shiro Toyosaki in three.

▶ Southpaw puncher Lion (Tetsuo) Furuyama, 141, proved too powerful for Alberto Cruz, 141, an importation from the Philippines, in the fourth. Before the stoppage Lion decked the visitor.

Takeo Harada, a converted lefty, decisioned Tatsuo Kojika in eight. Shigeyuki Koyama, beat Susumu Yokota in six. Tetsuo Tachibana and Ryosho Nakano fought to a draw in six.

▶ Benkei Fujikura's poor defense made him a dummy for Rocky Alarde, Filipino, 150½, who was a unanimous points winner at Korakuen Hall in 10. Rocky tabbed his sixth victory in twelve outings in Japan. Benkei looked stale. In the first tenner Sadao Takagi, 140, demolished Yoichi Urawa, 139¾, in two.

▶ Mexican newcomer Jose Garcia Lopez, 115½, lasted less than 6 minutes, as slick-punching Ebihara, 115, easily iced his slim rival midway in the second round at Okayama.

▶ Flash Gallego, 129½, survived a fourth round knockdown and came back to kayo Kenji Hayashi in the fifth at Korakuen Hall.

Filipino Gallego became Orient junior lightweight titlist because of his KO of Rokuro Ishiyama in a previous eliminator authorized by the JBC.

However, the OBF rejected Gallego as a logical contender. Then the OBF recognition went to Saleman Iti-anuchit, Thailand, who beat Jimmy Noel, P.I., in 12 rounds. The relinquishment of Yoshiaki Numata had caused a daffy confusion.

The ballyhooed elimination tenner to name a challenger for the Thai Saleman drew a sellout of 2,200. Hayashi, 130, tabbing 5 knockouts in succession, was annoyed by Gallego's sly tactics. The Filipino's specialty, a right uppercut, had the glass-jawed puncher kiss the canvas on three occasions and automatically out.

▶ Isayo Ichihara, 132, outpointed Norio Endo in 10.

Koichi Okado, 122½, turned aggressive against Alberto Reyes, P.I., 122½, and pounded out a close verdict in 10 at Korakuen Hall.

▶ Hiroshi Kobayashi, 131½, junior lightweight champion of the universe, concentrated on a body bombardment and polished off Victor Ramos, Ecuador, 132, in the second session at Korakuen Hall. Hiroshi found the importation's weak point too quickly.

▶ Unheralded lefthander Jun-ichi Naito created a sensation when he floored Yoshiaki Eto, national middle leader, in the eighth and scored an impressive shutout in their nontitle tenner at Korakuen Hall. They weighed 161½ each. Naito could be a marathon runner. The youngster's non-stop gallop tired the favorite and gave 50-41 votes to the rookie.

▶ Scrappy Eiji Morioka, bronze medalist in the 1968 Olympic Games, stopped Roger Moreno, 116, in the fifth at Osaka.

Morioka was superior in height, weight and power. A wicked left uppercut to the liver was the haymaker.

It was a mismatch. Morioka, 119, registered his third win and second KO in three pro outings.

▶ Seoul, Korea, saw Chun-Kyo Shin, Orient junior welter boss at 142½, outmaneuver and outpunch Japan's Suehiro Yabuta, 141¾, in 10.—nontitle.

▶ Why is Lope Sarreal Jr., manager of flyweight Filipino Vernabe Villacampo, so eager for a shot at Japan's Hiroyuki Ebihara, holding WBA's share of the world flyweight throne, but not at Efren Torres, the real world champ?

The Filipino lefty, if a worthy contender, naturally should meet the Mexican champ, for the Philippines' GAB withdrew from WBA and is now a member of the WBC.

▶ Nippon Univ. (champion of the East League) defeated Kinki Univ. (champion of the West League) by the score 7-4 in the 23rd final of the All Japan University Boxing Tournament.

BOXING QUIZ

1: Which professional fighter fought the most bouts?
Ans: Abraham Hollandersky, 1,309 fights.

2: Which heavyweight set record by fighting three main events in three different arenas on one day?
Ans: Battling Levinsky, on New Year's Day, 1915.

3: Which ex-heavyweight champion holds the record for being floored?
Ans: Floyd Patterson, 17 times in title contests.

4: How many champions have received Ring Magazine gold championship belts?
Ans: 227

5: Which champion engaged in the most title fights?
Ans: Joe Louis, ex-heavyweight champ—27.

6: Who scored the most consecutive knockouts in pro boxing?
Ans: The top three: Lamar Clark, 43; Billy Fox, 43; Henry Armstrong, 27.

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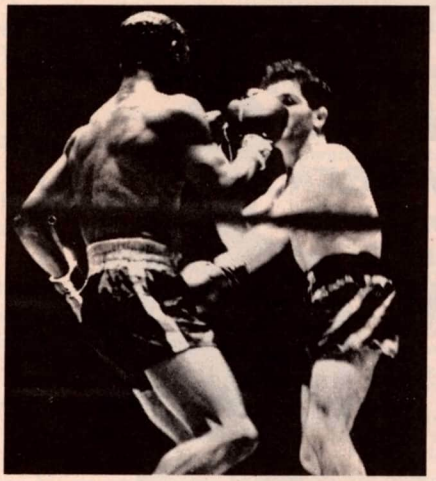

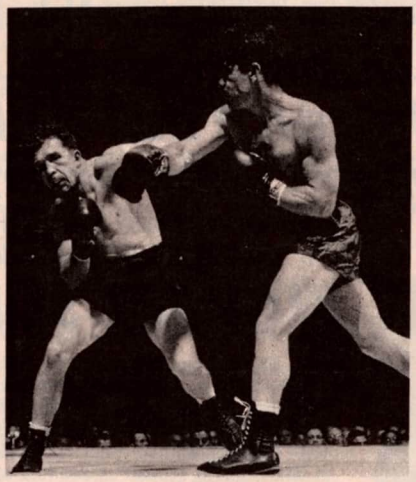

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V. B. A. ROUNDUP
● *By Scoop Gallello* ●
National VBA President

New Jersey Boxers' Hall of Fame gala, with writer Babe Orlando and VBA Ring 34 President Adrian Bailey at the helm, was a tremendous success. An awards dinner was held at Club Bene on Route 35-Morgan, N.J. to honor Mickey Walker, James J. Braddock, Joe Borrell and Frankie Nelson. Honored posthumously were: Irish Bobby Brady, Johnny Dundee, Jeff Smith, Frankie Burns, Jack DeMave, Cy Smith, Joe Shrugue, Jack Siegal, Gus Lesnevich, Johnny Buff and Cal McCarthy.

Some 500 boxing buffs came to pay homage to these ring stars of yesteryear.

▶ Ewald Shaw, better known during his fistic career as Johnny Shaw, passed away at age 78. Shaw was an active fellow following his ring career, working as a radio commentator and a vaudevillian.

▶ William "Bill" Runk, oldtime boxing promoter, passed away recently in Harrisburg, Pa., at age 86. He plied his fistic trade for over 40 years, booking Young DeMoe, Tony Stoynoff, Kid Hocker, Kid Slats, Rudy Padacai, Bobby Jenkins, Chick Snyder, Whitey Morton and Billy Meyers.

▶ Elmer Curt Kennedy, former boxer and promoter, was killed in an auto accident recently. Kennedy had 13 professional victories when he boxed Joe Louis in a four round heavyweight exhibition in 1948, in Kansas City. He continued his boxing career in California in the early 1950's then returned to Wichita where he opened a gymnasium.

▶ Jimmy Ruffalo, one of the Ruffalo brothers out of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., died recently from a fall from a scaffold on a construction job. He was a brother of Patsy Ruffalo, who boxed some of the best of his era. Jimmy was 55 years of age.

▶ Leonard Bennett, former rough and tough ringster, passed away at age 58. He was a well known figure around the West Coast in the early 1930's. He was back home at Syracuse, N.Y. these last few years and was an active member of Ring #56.

▶ Al Westley, former president of VBA Ring #36, Phoenix, Arizona, is living in Ozona, Florida, where he keeps busy as a trainer and second for Lew Viscusi's Tampa Boxing Enterprises.

▶ Orville Walker, who boxed as Johnny Holmes, was recently discharged from Veteran's Hospital, and is on the mend.

▶ Sam Goldberg, better known in his ring days as Young McGowan, was discharged from Medical Center Eye Institute, and is back on the Broadway scene with his pal K.O .Phil Kaplan.

▶ Tommy Miller, veteran boxer and promoter, who spent many years in Africa, is now residing in Ontario, Canada. Tommy has joined VBA Ring #30 of Westchester County, and is considering forming a ring group in his area.

▶ V.B.A. Ring #30 recently held its fourth annual dinner-dance at the Glen Island Casino in New Rochelle, N.Y. Honored were Edwin B. Dooley, Chairman of the New York Commission; Joseph R. Pisani, N.Y. State Assemblyman, and Chief Attorney for the National V.B.A.; Billy Bossio, one time contender for featherweight honors; Pete Creaturo, local flyweight battler who is best remembered for his punching prowess and Leo Fresella, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. middleweight, who met some of the best 40 years ago.

Johnny Addie handled the MC chores. Solly Seeman, Sam Taub, Phil Terranova, John and Sam Antonacci, Babe Orlando, Tony Galento, Irv Silverman, Buckey Keyes, Rev. Father John Swartout, Head Chaplain of the National VBA, Jimmy Vee Bevaqua, Corporal Izzy Schwartz, Izzy Blanc, Lou Salica, Charlie Varre and Frankie Gallello, 13 year old youngster who has won 23 straight bouts without a defeat, were on the dais.

▶ Billy Conn, former light heavy champ and heavyweight contender, has taken his two time conqueror Joe Louis in as a partner in a chain of restaurants. A few years after Conn retired from the ring he "struck it rich" with a few oil wells. At that time he offered Louis an oil well of his own—but Louis declined. Louis, the great guy that he is, turned around and offered to give his Chicago franchise to the ill and financially shaky Ezzard Charles.

▶ The Annual National Veteran Boxers Association Convention takes place on October 3-4-5, at the Albion Hotel in Asbury Park, N.J. All veteran boxers and friends are invited to join in these festivities. For further information get in touch with National UBA Secretary Irv Silverman—1208 Leland Ave. Bronx, N.Y. 10472.

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GRANT AND GUISEPPI SCORE
● IN FEATURES AT JAMAICA ●
By Gillie Campbell

Kingston, Jamaica—The first summer promotion by Felix Smith featured the Jamaican light and welter champion Bunny Grant against Trinidad welter champion and W.B.A. rated Carlos Mark. Grant won.

The show set at least one record as it was washed out three times by rain. When it eventually took place controversy was rampant.

Grant won a split decision, referee Speedy Flynn and judge Hugh Holness voting for Grant and judge Granville DeLeon voting for Mark. It was a close fight and not an easy one to judge.

Mark lost because his early aggression was ineffective and achieved nothing. When he was called upon to defend himself he failed.

The co-feature between Wesley Hines, Jamaica's No. 3 lightweight, and Adolfo Marte, Santo Domingo, was a good fight even though it only lasted four rounds. Marte attacked Hines with his perpetual boring style but Hines picked him off with crisp clean punches and knocked him down in round three and down and out in round four.

Errol Hall beat Lionel Cameron and Alfred Nembhard defeated Stafford Henry in six round welter contests. Carlyle Moxie KOd Windell Spencer in two.

The MGM promoted show ran into trouble with two days to go as Percy Hayles, the Commonwealth lightweight champion, pulled out of his fight with Wesley Hines on plea of a cold. Matchmaker Charlie Gooden produced a substitute in Jerry Wells, Miami, and so the show went on without Hayles. Supporters of Hines traced Percy's cold to his feet.

The co-feature 10 round contest between Barry Mason, featherweight champion of Jamaica, and Fitz Guisseppi, Trinidad, was moved up to the final and proved deservedly so. The two had fought recently with Mason getting a close decision. Guisseppi was not satisfied and vowed, if given a return, to put the matter beyond doubt. He got his chance and he also kept his vow.

He launched a two fisted attack from the word "go" and Mason was hard put to defending himself which he did capably for the first few rounds. But Guisseppi never let up the pressure and forced Mason to fight at close range against his wishes. Eventually stamina became the deciding factor. Mason faded while Guisseppi finished strong. He fully deserved the unanimous verdict.

The Hines-Wells tight went the full 10 rounds. Wells did very well in defending himself and going the distance after taking the fight at two days' notice. Hines won convincingly but despite hitting his man with everything but the bucket was unable to put him down.

Daniel Tucker won from Osbourne Thompson, welters; Beresford Small from Stafford Henry, welters; and Cleveland Miller from Hubert Blake, lightweight; all six rounders.

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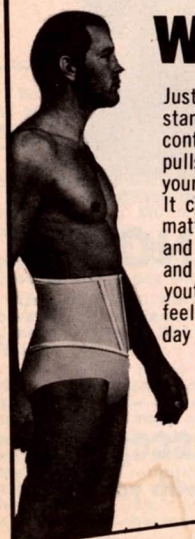

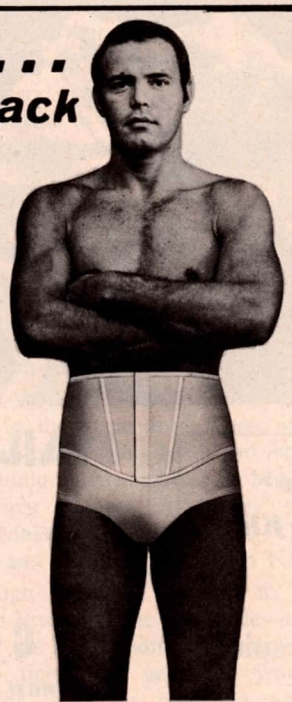

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

LOPEZ DEMANDS RECOUNT, BUT LEWIS HAS NOD

By DON FRASER

LOS Angeles, Calif.—It was one of those fights that had the fans divided on the outcome. But the three men who counted, all had Hedgemon Lewis the winner over Ernie (Red) Lopez before 8420 patrons who paid a whopping $77,344 at Olympic.

The difference in the 10-rounder was an eight-count knockdown scored by Lewis in the fourth round. A right and left followed by a second right hand punch dumped the favored Lopez.

The Ute Indian jumped off to an early lead, but the knockdown was the turning point in Lewis's favor. The bout then took a see-saw look with each round decided by a point or less.

Lopez, a Ring welterweight contender, came back strong in the ninth round, but the speedy, elusive Detroiter managed to avoid trouble.

Lewis fought the type of battle planned by manager Eddie Futch, moving from side to side countering with one or two punches to one landed by Lopez.

Manager Howie Steindler, who was close to sewing up a title chance for Lopez with champion Jose Napoles, protested the decision to the point of demanding an official investigation by the California Commission.

There was talk that the Commission would review the films. But the verdict stands.

Referee Dick Young voted 7-4; judge Lee Grossman 6-5 and judge John Thomas 5-4. Lewis weighed 144½, Lopez, 146.

"Sweet" Lennie Brice, 120½, Los Angeles, floored veteran Rudy Corona, 121, three times before referee George Latka sent Corona to the showers in the third round.

Frankie Rodriguez, 144, Long Beach, decisioned Frank Lopez, 144½, Los Angeles (6); Alfonso Gonzalez, 162, Los Angeles, outpointed Keith LaFenberg, 161, Washington, D.C.

▶ Southpaw Sinichi Kadota overpowered another lefty, Pajaro Corona, Tijuana, Mexico in a 10-round main event at Olympic.

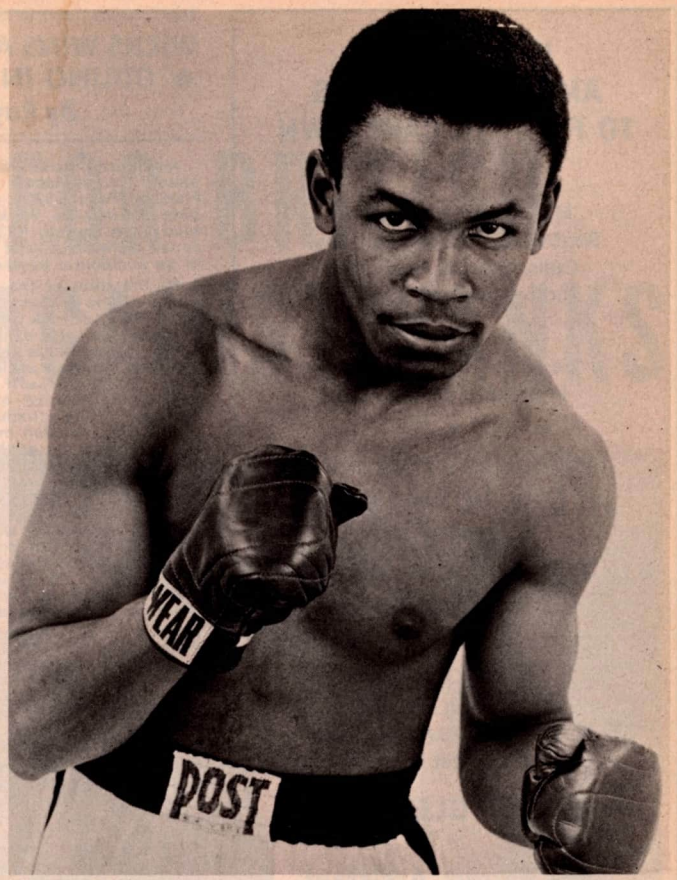
It was the third straight stateside win for the Tokyo lightweight. A crisp right hand decked Corona in the second and from there on it was a romp for Kadota. He weighed 134½; Corona, 135.

In the six-round semifinal, Butch Geigger, 160, Los Angeles, stopped Nate Macias, 161, in the fifth round.

▶ At Oakland, Andy Heilman, 162, San Pedro, and Oakland's Jimmy Lester, 161½, renewed their rivalry. History repeated with Heilman the victor in possibly the best fight of the year in Northern California.

Heilman took command early, then held off Lester to take a split decision. One official came up with a draw. There was no knockdown, but plenty of vicious punching.

The attendance of 7400 and the gross gate of $33,100 delighted promoter Dan Chargin.



Hedgemon Lewis, who scored a unanimous decision over Ernie (Red) Lopez. Lewis floored Lopez for an eight count in the fourth round with a good right hand punch.

▶ **Sacramento**—Chuck Leslie, 179, Los Angeles, spoiled the homecoming of Fred Lewis, 174½, taking a close 10-round decision at Memorial Auditorium.

Leslie, a loser to Jimmy Dupree in Madison Square Garden in his last previous effort, was much too fast for rusty Lewis.

Al Stankie, 161, San Francisco, decisioned Rudy Escobedo, 154, Los Angeles, in a supporting 10-rounder.

Pedro Vital, 132, El Monte, nodded David Garza, 135, Sacramento, in a five-rounder.

▶ **San Jose**—Roberto Amaya, 148, Buenos Aires, rallied in the late rounds to pull out a narrow 10-rounder from Rocky Medrano, 148, Beaumont, at Civic Auditorium.

The six-foot Argentinian bounced back in the ninth and tenth rounds, having Medrano in trouble to capture the unanimous verdict.

Bobby Sedillo, 136, Santa Ana, surprised by holding Enrique Jana, 135½, Buenos Aires, to a 10-round draw. Bill Thompson, 138½, San Jose, outpointed Lino Covarrubis, 139, San Francisco (5); Geary Newmeyer, 117, San Jose, decisioned Bobby Magan, 119, San Francisco (4).

▶ **Woodland Hills**—Windmill Ray White, boxing's newest "crown prince," managed to get in enough hard fighting to score over Steve Grant, 189, Oakland, in the 10-round main event at the Valley Music Theatre.

The 6-4, 177-pounder from Ventura came up with double jabs, double uppercuts and a behind the back punch to dazzle and confuse Grant.

Harry Walker, 158½, Los Angeles, decisioned Steve Gutierrez, 159, Las Vegas (6); Bobby Rye, Pacoima, decisioned Art Carillo, 165, San Pedro (6); Speedy White, 138, Houston, outpointed Frank Williams, 151, Phoenix (4); Jose Mendosa, 117½, North Hollywood, KO over Florentino Ramirez, 114½, Ventura (2).

▶ **Los Angeles**—Irish Jimmy Robertson, 134, Hawthorne, one of Southern California's brightest prospects, made the jump from prelims to a main event easy. Robertson zeroed in on Baby Cassius (Eric Thomas) to score a knockout in the second round.

Not a real potent puncher, Robertson still had too much firepower for the Baby, forcing the bout to be halted midway in the second. Cassius weighed 135. He is from Pasadena.

Butch Geigger, 161, Los Angeles and Johnny Wise, 163, San Diego, drew (5); Frankie Rodriguez, 145, Long Beach, KO over Frankie Bueno, 149, Los Angeles (2); James Polk, 160, Long Beach, decision over Rudy Escobedo, 154, Los Angeles (6).

▶ **Woodland Hills**—Absent from the local fight scene the past two years, rangy Johnny Smith, 163, Pacoima, showed some signs of rust, but not enough to stop him from knocking out Paul Patin, 163¼, Beaumont.

Smith, always a dangerous puncher, floored Patin in the first and sixth rounds. Following the second knockdown in the sixth, the bout was terminated.

It was win No. 38 against seven losses for the elongated Smith, while it was the fifth setback in 39 efforts for the Cajun from Louisiana.

Irish Mickey Flynn, 122, Dublin, KO over Baby Corona, 120, Los Angeles (3); Lou Lopez. 156, Hawthorne, TKO (cut eye) over Virgil Young, 151, Pasadena (3); Stoney Land, 198, Los Angeles, decisioned Steve Carter, 188½, Los Angeles (4); Ronnie Cisneros, 129, Los Angeles, KO over Olin Martin, 129, Los Angeles (3).

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WICKS WINS AUSSIE TITLE FROM ● GULINO IN SIXTH ROUND ●

By Ray Mitchell

Melbourne, Australia—Because of a rule which should be replaced everywhere in the world, Freddie Wicks, 132½, reigns as lightweight champion of Australia. Wicks stopped defending champion Jake Gulino, 133½, in the sixth round because Gulino suffered a gashed eye as the result of an accidental head-clash.

At the time of the stoppage Gulino had command of the contest and seemed certain of victory. The bout took place at Festival Hall.

Under the rules of the Australian Boxing Federation, if a contest is stopped because of an eye-cut resulting from an accidental head-clash, the decision is to be a draw if half or less than half of the scheduled distance has been covered. If more than half of the scheduled distance has been completed, the decision must go to the boxer who is leading on points at the time of the stoppage.

This rule was applied in the eighth round of a 10-round supporting bout to the Rose-Rudkin world title tilt last March. That programme was held under the rules of the ABF. However, the Gulino-Wicks clash was promoted by Stadiums Ltd., and that firm does not agree with the ABF rule regarding cut eyes.

Awarding a KO decision to a boxer who incapacitates his opponent with an accidental head-clash is unfair and out-moded.

▶A cut eye brought an end to another recent Australian title tilt. At Mildura, Victoria, Australian welterweight champion Carmen Rotolo, stopped Jack Kriss in the 11th round when Kriss suffered cuts around both eyes.

In this contest, however, the winner had charge of the bout and was hammering his challenger. Rotolo now has made five defenses of his title.

▶Australian middleweight champion Dick Blair, 160¾, had a comfortable points win over Tongan Sione Sani, 156,at Melbourne. Sani got away to a good lead but Blair, switching his attack to the body from the fourth round, took charge of the fight and called the tune. Sani, lacking the experience of Blair, showed willingness to fight but Blair was too good.

▶At HSV Channel 7 TV Studios, South Melbourne, Sione Sani, 156, at Melbourne. Sani got away to a over Malcolm Bulner, 157½, in the main eight-rounder.

▶Making a comeback after 15 months' absence, Kevin Eggleton, 127½, Newcastle, gained a good points win over Sydneysider John Batty, 126, at the Manly-Warringah Leagues Club, Brookvale.

▶Nine days later John Batty, 125½, upset Con Russell, 128, Queensland, by taking a points decision. Russell recently won a potted version of the Australian featherweight title by knocking out Noe Kunde. The only title that Russell is entitled to is the Queensland State featherweight. The Batty defeat took place at Russell's home town, Brisbane.

▶Rising welter Johnny Galuzzo, 148, outpointed Victorian Johnny Infante, 142½, at the Channel 7 studios, South Melbourne, but he didn't do it easily. Galuzzo held a slight lead coming into the last round, then stormed the citadel.

▶Crowd-pleasing welter Johnny Wright, 148, caused one of the biggest upsets of the year by knocking out Paul Silvester, 144, in the fifth round at North Sydney Leagues Club. Silvester, a good boxer who is highly regarded, was decked twice in the fifth frame.

▶Five days later Wright saddled up again, this time at Sydney Stadium in the semi-wind-up eight. Johnny had another hard fight, against Mike Gordon, 150, Queensland. A left hook from Wright in the fifth round turned the scales his way and he won by KO in round seven.

In the main-event at Sydney Stadium that night, Alan Moore, 147½, leading contender for the Australian welter crown, turned on a two-man war with Johnny Galuzzo, 147, over 10 rounds. Moore won on points. In the seventh round the crowd of 2,500 stood for three minutes as Alan and Johnny battled punch for punch. There were no knockdowns.

▶At Coburg, Melbourne suburb, Arthur Thomas outpointed Billy Lewis in the main eight. Thomas is a clever and fast lightweight from Melbourne.

▶Tongan light heavy Lee Moto, 165, gained a comfortable points win over Irish born Aussie Dave Cullen, 169, at South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern. In the main support, over eight rounds, Ted McKenzie, 161, outpointed Aub Phillips, 157.

▶Two weeks later American Ray Perez, 122, now resident in Australia, outpointed former Australian flyweight champion Jackie Bruce, 125½, over 10. This was Bruce's first bout in four years. Bruce hit the deck in the third round but came strong over the last three rounds. Perez, however, had a comfortable points margin at the finish.

▶Ten days later, Perez surprisingly lost a points decision to Ken Bradley, 121, featherweight champion of N.S.W., at Queanbeyan. Perez said he was robbed. I was not present.

▶Queenslander Ted Bonner, 134, narrowly outpointed Victorian Leo Young, 137, at Brisbane. These two had boxed a draw in Melbourne.

▶Australia's next middleweight champion Tony Mundine, 162, hit Ricky Datson with everything but the corner post at HSV7 TV studios, South Melbourne, but the tough German, four pounds lighter, took everything and fought back. Mundine won the decision on points.

▶Queensland State junior lightweight champion, Geoff White, 132½, knocked out Sydney southpaw Kevin Chester, 129, in the sixth round at Brisbane.

▶Rising lightweight Hilary Connolly, 137, Melbourne, notched the best win of his career in outpointing experienced Wayne Doherty, 137, Queensland, at South Melbourne's Channel 7 studios.

▶Queensland thumper Ian Robb, 149, ended a recent run of wins by Victorian Brendon Jackson, 147½, at Brisbane. Ian halted Jackson in the ninth round.

MOROCHO HERNANDEZ BY TKO OVER JOSE CRUZ ● IN CARACAS ●

By William Albert

Caracas, Venezuela—Ranked Carlos "Morocho" Hernandez, 135, scored a TKO over Jose Luis Cruz, 135, Mexico, in three rounds. Referee Isidro Rodriguez intervened. Cruz suffered a cut nose, and Hernandez, a cut eye.

Jose Acosta, 134½, won by a TKO over Urbano Davila, 135, Mexico City, in six rounds.

Flyweight champion of Venezuela, Hector Criollo, 112, knocked out Mario de Leon, 112, Colombia, in the 10th round.

Undefeated Ramon Bravo, 120½, scored a TKO over Domingo Bastidas, 121½, in three.

▶Also at Caracas, undefeated Leonel Hernandez, 126½, outpointed Orlando Natera, 126, in eight rounds.

Undefeated Armando Mendoza, 132, outpointed Emiliano Marron. 132½, in a six rounder. Omartin Vallenilla, 124½, knocked out Modesto Santos, 125, in the third round.

▶Caracas saw Alfredo Marcano, 126½, outpoint Richard Sue. 126, Portland, Ore., in 10 rounds. Sue suffered eye and nose cuts.

Jose Garcia. 176½, knocked out Randy Stevens, 178¼. USA, in the seventh round.

Antonio Gomez. 126½, brother of Pedro, scored a TKO over Frank Leroy, 126, in nine rounds.

Luis Beltran Garcia, 156½, outpointed Isaac Martinez, 157¼, in a six rounder. Octavio Romero, 160, outpointed Jose del Carmen Rondon, 158½, in 6 rounds.

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BODELL, BIDDER FOR BRITISH TITLE, NO STAR AGAINST YANKS

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, England, Anglo-American Sporting Club—Jack Bodell, 206, and his southpaw stance puzzled John "Speedy" Jordan, Norfolk, Va., 196½, to make the contest a farce. The American was knocked out in the second round. A mere hoax.

After making a fair show in the first, a left to the jaw of Jordan after 35 seconds put him down with a thud with his head banging against the canvas. He took some time to recover and the doctor ordered him to the hospital. He recovered in an overnight stay.

Mickey Oates, Walthamstow, 132, made a good start in the paid ranks with a third-round knockout over Sangster Dart, Jamaica, 135¾.

Billy Aird, 189, scored a points win over George Dulaire, Canning Town, 188, in six.

Ralph Knight, Leicester, 154, stopped Lloyd Duncan, Jamaica, 153, in 55 seconds of the first.

▶**Port Elizabeth, South Africa**—After being badly beaten by Willie Ludick in Johannesburg, Terry McTigue, Belfast, was served up to Johnny Woods in a scheduled 10 round middleweight contest.

Again the Irishman was beaten, having to retire in the fourth.

▶**Zagreb, Yugoslavia**—Eddie Avoth, British light heavyweight champion, failed in his attempt to annex the vacant European Title when he met Yvan Prebeg, the Yugo idol, who had to put up his own money to promote the first professional boxing tournament behind the Iron Curtain.

The 7,000 Yugoslavian fans cheered the Welshman for his gallant effort after referee Sancho Villar, of Spain, had scored them 73 to 68, which in the British way would mean that Prebeg won 10 rounds to five for Avoth.

▶**Nottingham**—Jack Solomons joined Reg King in staging a three star show at the Ice Rink.

Jack Bodell, 203½, outpointed Joe "King" Roman, New York via Puerto Rico, 198½, in 10.

The honors went to the Puerto Rican for game performance against odds after he had pulled a muscle in his right leg in the fifth.

Bodell's "Southpaw" stance puzzled Roman in the early rounds, and what looked like an easy victory for Bodell, ended with Roman fighting back when he was cornered against the ropes. He brought loud cheers from the crowd.

Manf of Roman's right hand punches landed on Bodell, which disiodged his gumshield in almost every round after the third.

Roman, a protege of Bill Daly, was having his first contest against a southpaw, and after a while it was all plain sailing as he contested the bout till the end. He made Bodell miss by his bobbing and weaving and made the Briton look like a second rater.

Bodell kept up his scoring with right jabs, driving Roman against the ropes, and when he went in to try a finish, he was met by a flurry of punches that made him return to his boxing.

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Welsh heavyweight Carl Gizzi lands a right to the jaw which makes America's Jack O'Halloran wince during their bout at the World Sporting Club, London. O'Halloran was awarded the decision after the 10-rounder by a quarter of a point.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO AUGUST 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Jack Bodell (E)
4. Brian London (E)
5. Carl Gizzi (W)
6. Bob Cleroux (C)
7. Roger Tighe (E)
8. Roy Enifer (E)
9. Rocky Campbell (Gu)
10. Joe Bugner (E)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (Biafra)
2. Bob Dunlop (A)
3. Eddie Avoth (W)
4. Young McCormack (E)
5. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
6. Dickie Owens (E)
7. Milo Calhoun (J)
8. Guinea Roger (N)
9. Ray Brittle (E)
10. Lloyd Walford (J)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Les McAteer (E)
2. Gomeo Brennan (B)
3. Lionel Ifill (Gu)
4. Mark Rowe (E)
5. Bunny Sterling (J)
6. Harry Scott (E)
7. Dick Blair (A)
8. Fred Taupola (NZ)
9. Inis Cataroga (Fi)
10. Ron Beekin (A)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ralph Charles (E)
2. Lennox Beckles (Gu)
3. Joey Durelle (C)
4. Chuck Henderson (E)
5. Oblett Commey (G)
6. Peter Coblah (G)
7. Castors Abbey (G)
8. Johnny Cooke (E)
9. Teddy Meho (G)
10. Don Davis (J)

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Vic Andreetti (E)
2. Maurice Cullen (E)
3. Des Rea (I)
4. Don McMillan (S)
5. Pat McCormack (I)
6. Bobby Arthur (E)
7. Colin Fraser (C)
8. Jackie Turpin (E)
9. Billy Seasman (E)
10. Al Breau (C)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Percy Hayles (J)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Ray Adigun (N)
5. Brian Hudson (E)
6. Al Ford (C)
7. Joe Tetteh (G)
8. Jake Gulino (A)
9. Jim McCormack (I)
10 Arthur Bradley (A)

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Anderson (E)
2. Love Alottey (G)
3. Gilberto Biondi (A)
4. Terry Ball (A)
5. Brian Cartwright (E)
6. Brian Dalby (A)
7. George O'Neill (E)
8. Len Gillis (C)
9. Colin Lake (E)
10. Lawrence Hafey (C)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Revie (E)
2. Billy McGrandle (C)
3. Toro George (NZ)
4. Reg Gullefer (E)
5. John O'Brien (S)
6. Jimmy Bell (S)
7. Bobby Fisher (S)
8. Bill Hardacre (E)
9. Jim McAuley (I)
10. Kenny Cooper (E)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Alan Rudkin (E)
2. Walter McGowan (S)
3. Johnny Clark (E)
4. Evan Armstrong (S)
5. Bob Alottey (G)
6. Steve Curtis (W)
7. Glyn Davies (W)
8. Patrick Mambwe (Z)
9. Noel Kunde (A)
10. Harry Hayes (A)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Tony Barlow (E)
3. Alex Martin (C)
4. Tony Williams (W)
5. George Hinds (S)
6. Art Hafey (C)
7. Bill Amos (Z)
8. Kid Miller (Z)

Legend: A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

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JOE BIEWER, GERMAN BOXING EDITOR, PASSES

COLOGNE, Germany—Joe Biewer died recently as the result of a swimming accident. No one is capable of filling his chair in the office of Germany's "Boxsport," of which he was the editor. "Old Joe" took over as editor in 1948 and he knew all boxers from Hans Breitenstrater, Germany heavyweight champion, 1920, and Max Schmeling, to Karl Mildenberger.

Joe was born on August 25, 1906, and his whole life was devoted to boxing. He was also the Press boss of Westfalen Hall in Dortmund.

His last visit to America was in 1965, when he covered the Liston-Clay one-round affair.

While swimming in the local baths he hit his head on the side of the pool while doing the backward crawl. Joe paid little attention to the incident. That evening he died.

—J. A. TREE

RODRIGUEZ, AT 158, SCORES MIAMI KO OVER OWENS IN SEVEN

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla—Before 3,000 fans in the Auditorium, Luis Rodriguez, 158, heavier than in previous bouts, defended his number one contender position in the 160 pound class., stopped Eddie Owens, 161½, Pittsfield, Mass., in the seventh round.

Rodriguez gave his Latin following reason for cheers as he assailed Owens' body with hooks, then shifted to the head with rights.

In a scheduled 10 round semi-final, Charley Jordan, 160½, Miami, scored a ninth round TKO over Carlos Carmona, 162, Puerto Rico. Charley rallied with a concentrated attack to the body.

Carmona, a southpaw who had upset Gene Wells here in a tight contest, looked the winner over Jordan. The Miamian awaited opportunities to crash with his long right to the head but they never came. Mid-way in the battle he changed his strategy and carried the fight to Carmona's midriff. By the seventh it was obvious that Charley would win. He continued until the middle of round nine, forcing the referee to stop the bout.

In a scheduled six rounder, Porter Rolle, 157, Miami, returning to the ring after a lengthy absence, stormed after Bernard Bennett, 155, Tampa, like a contestant searching for lost time and opportunity, and put his opponent out after a minute and a half of the first round. Rolle stopped Henry Johnson in two soon after.

In a scheduled 4 rounder, Houston Hess, 162, Miami, found Willie Williams, 169, Nassau, Bahamas, easy prey in round one.

▶ Al Jones, 230, Goulds, Fla., did just enough to eke out a split decision over California heavyweight champion, Henry Clark, 217¼, San Francisco, who demonstrated a tough jaw and willingness to fight with tactics not designed to whip his larger opponent.

Jones piled up an early lead. His right jab kept Clark at bay. In the fourth Clark saw the futility of trying to outbox big Al, so he sailed in at will, throwing blows to the body. Jones reacted with apathy as Clark avoided occasional jabs.

A steady tattoo on Al's ribs slowed the Miami fighter down.

Jones acted as if he had the fight wrapped up and seldom exerted himself while the Californian stayed busy until the end. The judges thought Al had it by a safe margin, but the referee differed. The cards were: judge Jim Ruby, 47-44 for Jones; judge Gus Jacobson, 47-43 for Jones; referee Eddie Eckert, a draw, 46-46.

In an eight rounder, Kent Green, 177½, Chicago, one of the few to beat Cassius Clay as an amateur (Amos Johnson and Jimmy Ellis are two others who hold simon-pure wins over Cassius) returned to the ring after an absence of 8 years and pounded out a decision over Willie McIntyre, 170, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Rooting for Green was Clay.

In a scheduled 8 rounder, Frankie Otero, Hialeah, 132, scored his 18th straight win, with 17 coming by way of knockout, as he picked off Francisco Maldonado, 126, Puerto Rico, in the second round. Otero is being tabbed for main-event status by Chris Dundee.

In a sixer figured to go the limit, Tommy Torino, 154, Hollywood, Fla., upset the applecart by hanging several long rights to the head of Houston Hess, 160, Miami. The end came in round two.

In a scheduled six rounder, Porter Rolle, 161½, halted Johnson, 159, Fort Lauderdale, in the second round.

Another six rounder saw Jimmy Gibavitch, 155, Miami, gain a draw against Joe Hooks, 161, Philadelphia, who has fought draws in both his professional contests.

▶ Johnny Hudgins, Gil Strong's heavyweight, 196, scored a first round knockout over Pedro Sanchez, 217, Puerto Rico, in Chicago. Sanchez, who has appeared where the action is for the past year, like opponent Hudgins, made his early starts in Miami Beach rings.

Joe Cartwright came through with a fourth round knockout over Chino Hernandez, Santo Domingo. Cartwright, undefeated, had Chino down twice in the second round, then finished him off in the fourth.

A third member of the Miami contingent did not do as well. He was Jimmy Williams, who was stopped in the first round by Luis Galvan, middleweight who boxed Gordon Lott in Miami.

The Bert Perry-"Boston" Blackie bout for the Bahamas heavyweight title in Nassau went to Perry, with a 12th round TKO.

Middleweights Don Lutz, Milwaukee, and Joe Hooks, Philadelphia, featured an eight round draw at Orlando.

ASIATA WINS 2 OF 2, THEN RETIRES FROM RING

By R. T. Jacka

Auckland—New pro Day Asiata 158, boxed well and punched hard in stopping Ralph Opetaia, 158, in the third. With two wins in two bouts, Asiata surprised everyone by announcing his intention to retire.

Fred Taupola, New Zealand middleweight champion, met Kick Blair, Australian champion, in what was to be a 12-rounder for the Australian title. After a bright opening, both boxers were really warming to their work when Taupola suffered an eye cut and was ruled out by the ringside doctor in round three.

▶ **Wellington**—Eddie Wulf defeated Lee Moto of Tonga on points to retain his unbeaten record.

N.Z. welterweight champion Graham Smith stopped John Wright, Australia, in the seventh round of a willing battle.

KO artist middleweight Kahu Mahanga could not put away the lighter Aub Phillips, Australia, although Phillips was in trouble several times. Mahanga took a points decision.

▶ **Invercargill**—Paul Silvester, Australia, beat Graham Smith on points.

▶ **Noumea, New Caledonia**—Billy Opetaia, N.Z., KOed Kalaviti, Fiji, in round seven after a willing bout, middleweights.

▶ Billy Opetaia again travelled to Noumea to meet Tongan middleweight champion Sione Malu 'ifonua. The Tongan took the first round with some fast attractive boxing but early in round two, Opetaia's big guns found the range and Sione took the full count.

BOXING BACK IN BOGOTA, ESPINOSA STOPS JIMINEZ

By Luis A. González (Lagovén)

Bogotá, Colombia—Boxing returned here after many months. Germán Espinosa, 119, Bogotá, kayoed Cartagena's Néstor "Baba" Jiménez, 117, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10, before 2,500 fans in the Coliseum of Ferias.

Both fighters were Prospects of The Month this past year.

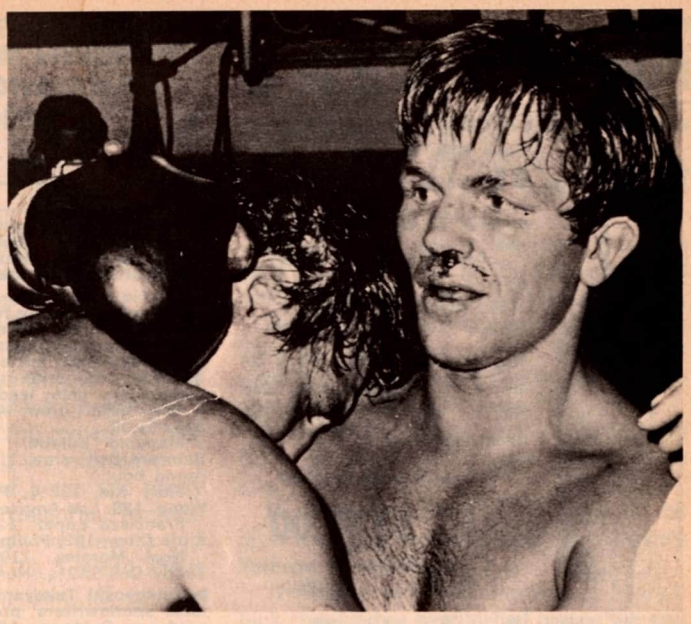
In an eight, Miguel Espinosa, 117, brother of Germán, outpointed Alvaro López, 114½.

Fernando "Zurdo" Bustos, 114½, scored a fifth round TKO over Gilberto "Petiso" Sánchez, 112½.

▶ The promotors plan the presentation of Bernardo Caraballo, Germán Gastelbondo and Rocky Valdez.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

By J. A. TREE



A bleeding Hans Dieter Schwartz of West Germany congratulates Carlos Duran after the latter successfully defended his European middleweight crown via a TKO in the 14th round at Montecatini, Italy. Schwartz' handlers tossed in the towel.

PREBEG'S VICTORY OVER AVOTH MAKES HIM EUROPE'S LEADER

BERLIN, Germany—Yvan Prebeg is the first Yugoslavian to win a European crown. He took the vacant light heavyweight title with a decision over Britisher Eddie Avoth in Zagreb.

German champion Hans Dieter Schwartz was outclassed by European middleweight king, Carlos Duran, Italy, but fellow countryman Gerhard Piaskowy created a "small wonder" by dethroning European light middleweight boss Remo Golfarini, Italy.

It took over a year to determine the cause of Jupp Elze's death after his title bout with Duran on June 12, 1968. Some 50 witnesses were called and it was proved that Elze was doped either from his own hand or by others. Traces of Pervitin tablets were found in his bloodstream.

Dr. Dotzauer also brought to notice that a film of this championship fight showed that Elze was on the receiving end of some 20 punches to the neck. This could have caused a blood clot. However, had Elze not been doped he would be with us today.

Former European heavyweight champion Karl Mildenberger has retired. He has not boxed since he lost his crown to Briton Henry Cooper last September.

Talk of a return with Oscar Bonavena, Argentina, has collapsed. The German thought his services were worth $25,000. Promoter Joachim Göttert's offer was in the region of $10,000. Bonavena beat Mildenberger in September two years ago in a WBA world title eliminator.

His retirement was a wise decision, but he could have made it known earlier for few expected him to box again.

Rare excuses are offered to call off or postpone a battle, but the latest one, from Italy, takes the cake. Sardinian hotelier, European bantamweight champion, Salvatore Burruni, is building a house and cannot concentrate on training. His request for a later date was accepted by the Italian promoter Rino Tomasi.

The European championship affair between Fernando Atzori, Italy, and French challenger Kamari Diop could not take place in July. The champion injured his foot in training.

Those who handle the affairs of Marcel Cerdan, son of the former world champion, must decide on his future. Cerdan has been boxing for six years and it is time that a rated boxer be brought in to test his ability.

Franz Reis, Belgian promoter, has retired. Franz has not been very active over the past three years.

Fernand Nollet (37) has retired and those close to Ben Ali (43) say he, too,

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EUROPEAN RATINGS

(UP TO AUGUST 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*1. Henry Cooper (GB)
2. Dante Cane (I)
3. Piero Tomasoni (I)
4. Peter Weiland (G)
5. Jürgen Blin (G)
6. Bernard Thebault (F)
7. Gerhard Zech (G)
8. Paul Roux (F)
9. Giulio Rinaldi (I)
10. Jose Urtain (S)

LIGHT HEAVIES
*1. Yvan Prebeg (Yu)
2. Piero Del Papa (I)
3. Lothar Stengel (G)
4. Giovanni Biancardi (I)
5. Alfredo Vogrig (I)
6. Vittorio Saraudi (I)
7. Arno Prick (G)
8. Bas van Duivenbode (H)
9. Bernard Quellier (F)
10. Guerrino Scattolin (I)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*1. Carlos Duran (I)
2. Tom Bogs (D)
3. Yoland Leveque (F)
4. Jacques Marty (F)
5. Luigi Patruno (I)
6. Mario Lamagna (I)
7. Jean Bouttier (F)
8. Pascal Di Benedetto (F)
9. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)
10. Klaus Stockmann (G)

LIGHT MIDDLES
*1. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
2. Remo Golfarini (I)
3. Jo Gonzalez (F)
4. Bo Petterson (Sw)
5. Fabio Bettini (I)
6. Massimo Bruschini (I)
7. Pierre Minier (F)
8. Jean Rolland (F)
9. Vid Stilija (A)
10. Cesareo Barrera (S)

WELTERWEIGHTS
*1. Jean Josselin (F)
2. Johann Orsolics (A)
3. Silvano Bertini (I)
4. Carmelo Bossi (I)
5. Marcel Cerdan (F)
6. Domenico Tiberia (I)
7. Fighting Mack (H)
8. Aldo Battistutta (I)
9. Robert Gallois (F)
10. Antonio Torres (S)

LIGHT WELTERS
*1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Cemal Kamaci (T)
3. Barrera Corpas (S)
4. Juan Sombrita (S)
5. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
6. Willi Quatuor (G)
7. Rene Roque (F)
8. Borge Krogh (D)
9. Romano Fanali (I)
10. Olli Maki (Fn)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Maurice Tavant (F)
3. Miguel Velazquez (S)
4. Carmelo Coscia (I)
5. Bruno Melissano (I)
6. Leonard Tavares (F)
7. Italo Biscotti (I)
8. Pietro Ziino (I)
9. Kid Tano (S)
10. Antonio Puddu (I)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*1. Manuel Calvo (S)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Lothar Abend (G)
4. Marius Cordier (F)
5. Nevio Carbi (I)
6. Michel Houdeau (F)
7. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
8. Umberto Simbulla (I)
9. Lino Mastellaro (I)
10. Luis Aisa (S)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Ben Ali (S)
4. Pierre Vetroff (F)
5. Enzo Farinelli (I)
6. Antonio Sassarini (I)
7. Carmelo Massa (I)
8. Rudolfo Garcia (S)
9. Antonine Porcel (F)
10. Francisco Martinez (S)

FLYWEIGHTS
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
4. Fabian Bellanco (S)
5. Kamara Diop (F)
6. Manuel Alvarez (S)
7. Ulf Danielson (D)
8. Dionisio Bisbal (S)
9. Michel Spina (I)
10. Luigi Boschi (I)

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UNKNOWN MANRIQUE BLASTS MANALANG'S HAWAIIAN WING DING

By Ted Yamachika

Honolulu, Hawaii — Domi Manalang, 124¾, Philippines, the biggest Honolulu attraction and money earner in 1968, lost to unknown Mario Manrique, 123½, Mexico, by TKO in the tenth and final round at the HIC arena.

Manrique surprised Manalang with a left hook to the chin, flooring him for an automatic eight count in the second round. When the fight was stopped by Dr. Edmund Lum, commission physician, Manalang's left eye was closed tight and he had cuts around his right optic. Manrique had a comfortable point lead at this point.

The fight drew 4,971 fans and grossed $23,451.00

Manuolo Balabu, 118½, Philippines, beat Shintaro Uchiyama, 118¼, Japan, in another 10 round bout.

Flory Kid, 127¼, Philippines, TKO'd Roberto Wong, 128, Los Angeles, in the fourth of eight.

Francisco Lopez, 121½, Mexico, knocked out Little Ditoy, 122, Philippines, in the fourth of six.

Noel Morales, 119, Philippines, outpointed Teddy Doi, 119¾, Honolulu, in four rounds.

▶ Katsuyoshi Takayama, 122, Japan, ruined the local sportswriters' predictions by upsetting favored Leo Calderon, 120, Mexico, in a fast 10, at the HIC arena. The verdict was a split one but there seems little doubt that the Japanese fighter held the upper hand.

Calderon had one good round, the fifth, when he landed some good head shots and had his opponent rubber legged for a moment. When Takayama came fighting back Calderon went back to counter punching.

In another tenner, Kazumichi Hayashi, 128¾, Japan. outpointed Carlito Kid, 128¼, Philippines.

5,709 fans, who paid $28,231.00, watched the card.

Yoshiki Suda, 118, Japan, split-decisioned Rene Boy, 114¾, Philippines, in 10 rounds.

Rodolfo Lopato, 125¾, Mexico, knocked out Tomas Aridido, 125¾, Mexico, in the sixth and last round.

Lorenzo Diaz, 145¼, Mexico, beat Phil Watson, 144, Honolulu, four.

▶ Cordobes Lopez, 118, Mexico, handily beat Willie Cordova, 119, Philippines, in a 10 round main event.

Yoshiki Suda, 118½, Japan, outpointed Francisco Lopez, 119¼, Mexico, six. Issac Kimura, 113½, Japan, beat Agustin Lopez, 110½, Mexico, six.

Saburo Hitomi, 131, Japan, decisioned Nextor Aridido, 131, Philippines. Noel Morales, 117¾, Philippines, TKO'd Ray Bernal, 117¾, Mexico, in second of six

Curley Aguirre, 134¾, Philippines, TKO'd Emil Agustin, 135, Honolulu, in fourth of six.

▶ Joe Valdez, 124½, Mexico, easily outpointed Jet Parker, 125, Philippines, in a tenner at the HIC. The decision was unanimous.

Frankie Amano, 121¾, Philippines, knocked out Francisco Lopes, 121, Mexico, in the second of eight.

Juanito Gonzalez, 135¼, Mexico, outpointed Jose Menchaca, 135½, Mexico, six.

Socrates Batoto, 113¾, Philippines, beat Oun Mo, 110½, Korea, four.

Ismael Rivera, 141, Mexico, beat Calvin Rivera, 141, Honolulu, four.

HOGAN GETS DECISION BUT ● SPARKS SHINES IN CANADA ●

By Fred Bishop

Halifax, Canada—At Dartmouth, the season got off with a bang as local favorite, Kevin Hogan, 202, Dartmouth and Canadian light heavyweight champion, Al Sparks, 182, Westphall, N.S. went 10 round in a good fight. Al fights out of Winnipeg. His greater experience stood out through the first eight rounds. At the end of 10 the local headache struck. For years we have suffered from consistently bad officiating but this one took the cake. Judge Don Kerr scored it Hogan 5-3-2, Judge Harold Johnson, Hogan 5-23, while Alex Nickerson called it Sparks 5-3-2. On the 'RING' score sheet, Sparks won eight, Hogan one, with one even.

A crowd of 4,000 paid $8,000 to get in on the Gussie MacLellan-Al Brown show.

Hogan was willing enough to keep the large crowd happy as he exchanged long lefts and rights with the lighter champion but was counter punched at every turn by snappy right and short lefts that took all the steam out of the larger man.

Al staggered Kevin in the seventh and eighth. Hogan had a good ninth round, a right stopped Sparks in his tracks for a second but he came charging back without damage. Both tried hard in the tenth and stood toe to toe with the round even. They received a standing ovation.

Vic Doucette, 147, Dartmouth, hung a second round kayo on Don Arsenault, 153, Summerside, P.E.I.

Jerry Smith, 127, Halifax, took 54 seconds to stop inexperienced Darrell Trainor, 128, Summerside. Eddie Paris, 129, Halifax, outlasted Eddie McKenna, 132, Summerside, P.E.I.

▶ **New Glasgow,** N.S.—Lawrence Hafey, 136, Stellarton, N.S., top rated Maritime lightweight, won a 10 round decision over Art Jones, 131, Montreal, in a dull fight. There were no knockdowns and the decision did not go over too well with ringsiders.

The semi-final of six rounds turned into a war as Gary MacNeil, 131, New Glasgow, and hometowner Tiger Jackson, 129, went at it from bell to bell. Jackson was awarded a split decision.

In fours, Willis Jackson, 134, New Glasgow, outpointed Kid Sponagle, 133, Trenton, N.S., Kid MacNeil, 93, New Glasgow, and Young MacLean, 93, Westville, fought a draw.

▶ **Antigonish, N.S.**—Professional boxing was off to a poor start in this north shore town. Vic Smith, 131, Halifax and Tiger Jackson, 130, New Glasgow, threw all ring rules out and staged such a war that veteran referee Gary Simon threw them both out midway through the fourth and called it a no-contest.

Smith stopped Jackson last year in Dartmouth but the New Glasgow boy put up a much better fight this time. Smith dumped him over his hip and out of the ring. As referee Simon turned to Smith to disqualify him, Jackson's manager, Sparky Paris, jumped into the ring and went after Smith. This started a riot and when things settled down referee Simon called it off.

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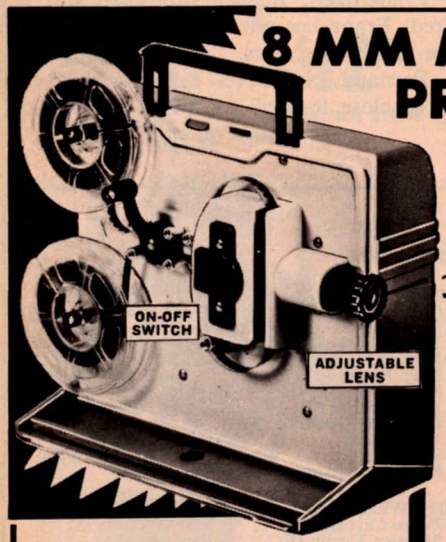

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READ THE RING AND RING WRESTLING

A DAY WITH MINE HOST JACK DEMPSEY

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movies and Hannah Williams, of the musical comedy stage. All of these marriages were ended by divorce.

The marriage with Hannah produced two daughters, who now form a large part of Dempsey's major interest in life. Barbara and Joan between them have seven daughters. They attract Jack to the Los Angeles area quite frequently. One daughter lives in that city and another in suburban Van Nuys.

Deanna Piatelli Dempsey has a 21-year-old daughter, Barbara, who is part of Jack's menage. Just where this headquarters of the family is located Jack preferred to keep a secret. The reason, of course, is not hard to guess. His telephone number is unlisted, for a similar reason.

"I get up around 10 in the morning," Dempsey resumed. "We have breakfast at home, and then I go to the market, shopping for things for the kitchen and the table.

"I usually arrive at the restaurant around 12:30, at the crest of the luncheon business.

"Broadway no longer is what it used to be, and the restaurant has lost some of its patronage with destruction of the Garden arena at Eighth Avenue and 49th Street. But we manage to do pretty well, despite these circumstances.

"On arrival at the restaurant I confer with the manager, the maitre d' and the head cook. These departments usually do not make any great demands on me. The work is in good hands.

"Then I begin one of the most interesting parts of the day. I am consulted, mostly by ladies, on every subject under the sun.

"They want to know about weight watching, about diet and drinking, about sleeping and waking, about marriage and the single life. You would be amazed if you listened in.

"I am patient and considerate to everyone and give my opinions as I see them.

"I am asked a lot of questions about the boxing business. Even by the kindly old lady from Sioux City. I am astonished at how much they know about fights, and how much they want to know.

"I see a lot of sports writers from all over the country. With major league baseball expansion there are so many more visiting reporters, and they are welcomed with open arms at this restaurant.

"There is one thing I never have forgotten, never have played down, and that is the tremendous influence the press has had on my life in general, and my boxing career in particular. I never have had a bad press. Never.

"One thing has continued through the years. My heavy mail. It still flatters me, still shows that people around the country have not forgotten Jack Dempsey.

"Many of the letters have to do with arguments. When did I beat Jess Willard? Is it true that I broke his jaw? When did I fight Firpo, and what did he hit me with? When did I fight Jim Corbett? I never did. And so it goes, from correspondents all over the U.S.—all over the world. Quite some mail from England.

"The mail sometimes takes an hour. Reading, dictating replies.

"I talk and shake hands until about 2:30 o'clock. Depends on who is around. I get home around three and attend to family chores, to catching up some on reading. I still do not read much. You remember how I spared my eyes during my ring days.

"I rest for a couple of hours and pretty soon I am back at the restaurant for dinner. I get away for a show or a movie and return to '1619' around 11. I spend about an hour in the place, then off to our apartment.

"Off to sleep, then up around 10 again, the same routine over again. But I never tire of it. Some days there is an interlude. Deanna and I go off to the country, visit some friends. Weekends I don't go near the restaurant, as a rule. Unless around the Christmas holidays, if I am in New York.

"My trips to see my daughters and their families give me a big kick.

"My own immediate family is about gone. My three brothers and one of my two sisters are dead. The lone survivor is my sister Effie, who lives in Salt Lake. She is 94."

William Harrison Dempsey, known in his youth as Harry and in his early days as a fighter as Kid Blackie, was born at Manassa, Colo. on June 26, 1896. He was born into a Mormon family, yet he brought up his daughters, of a Jewish mother, Hannah Williams, as Catholics.

"I wanted to place my girls safe from the divorce courts. The only way to do this was to rear them as members of the Catholic church. Happily they have not needed this protection," he explained.

Jack still wears a big cigar between his teeth. But he is a chewer and not a smoker.

He likes to talk about the old days, when he was a kid around Manassa, and Montrose, Colo., where the Dempseys moved for the sake of Mom's health.

Jack doesn't like to hark back to the days when he rode the rods, worked in the mines, and appeared to be set as a hobo.

It took guts and determination to switch from that life into the role of top heavyweight contender, and then into the world championship.

"Willard was a better fighter than he looked against me," Jack reminisced.

"When he fought me on July 4, 1919, he had not had a contest since March 1916, when he met Frank Moran in New York. He met Sailor Burke six months later in Bridgeport, in a six-rounder. But that was no problem. Willard entered the ring in Toledo stableworn. I had no doubt about how it would end.

"Some years later I gave Jess a job selling 'Jack Dempsey Brand' whiskey. Frankly, I didn't drink the stuff myself. Jess got to using alcohol a little freely. But not Jack Dempsey Whiskey."

Dempsey still gets a big laugh out of a giant hoax he pulled on his newspaper pals before his first marriage, to Maxine Wayne.

He announced his engagement to a fictitious gal whom he named "Edith Rockwell," an auburn-haired beauty, whose supposed home was in Boulder, Colo.

Investigation proved that there was no Edith Rockwell in Boulder or anywhere else.

His first love, when he was only 14, he says, was a raven-haired miss named Mary Belknap, in Manassa.

"I wonder what ever became of Mary," Jack chuckled as we finished our coffee and buns.

SALDIVAR SUPERB IN BEATING LEGRA AFTER LONG LAYOFF

(Continued from page 19)

"Why did I come back? There is better featherweight opposition. And I got bored doing nothing."

Adolfo Perez, Vicente's manager, opposed the comeback, but now he says his man justified it with the form he showed in beating Legra.

Why did Saldivar pick possibly the toughest featherweight opponent in the world for his comeback?

"I felt it was the only evaluation I could get of myself," Saldivar replied.

And so boxing has regained a spectacular performer, a 26-year-old bachelor with serious views of life. Women? "It is tough enough fighting men," he said, without a smile.

Veteran Los Angeles featherweight Dwight Hawkins, 124½, connected with powerful left hooks to floor Nobuo Chiba, 127½, Tokyo, for the full count after 1:13 of the first round of their scheduled 10 on the Saldivar card.

Fermin (Gallego) Gomez, 116, Mexico's flyweight champion, from Veracruz, showed plenty of polish in his victory over Katsuhiro Harada, 118½, Tokyo. The bout was terminated in the eighth round with Harada taking too many blows from the flashy little southpaw.

In the final 10-rounder, Ricardo Delgado, 113, winner of the flyweight gold medal in the 1968 Olympic Games, took apart O Un Mo, 111, South Korea. The fight was stopped in the third. The Korean was outclassed.

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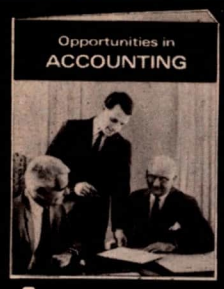

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NEW ENGLAND FEATHER TITLE WON BY RONDEAU OVER GARCIA

By Don Hamill

North Adams, Mass.—Terry Rondeau, 124, Pittsfield, won the vacant New England featherweight title by taking a ten round decision over Carlos Jose Garcia, 126, Worcester, in an action packed bout. Rondeau took command from the start by ripping at Garcia with a vicious attack inside.

Rondeau, who never before had gone over six rounds, kept up the pace for 30 minutes. Garcia doggedly stayed with Rondeau and tagged him with right hand leads. As the fight progressed there was less and less infighting.

Al Romano, 146, North Adams, successfully defended his New England welterweight title by kayoing a willing but green Al DeJarnette, 147, Worcester, in 1:22 of the first round. DeJarnette was dropped twice by left hooks, the second time for the full count.

Eddie Spence, 173, Pittsfield, unleashed sudden power to stop Jimmy Cherico, 174, Brooklyn, in the sixth round of their slated 10. After four so-so rounds, Spence crossed a right to the chin to drop Cherico to his knees. He arose, to be dropped hard with another right.

In the sixth round, Cherico went down from a right uppercut and shortly afterwards from a right to the jaw. Their referee Ed Bradley called a halt.

In the four round curtain raiser, Keven (Joey) McGrath, 141, Worcester, halted his fellowtownsman, Mike Rodriguez, 145, in the second.

▶ **Walpole, Mass.**—Boxing returned to the Four Seasons Arena after an absence of over a year. Pat Kivlin, 130, Cambridge, took an easy eight round decision over Tony Cruz, 126, Jersey City, in a dull bout. The corners had agreed, with the sanction of the Boxing Commission, to two minute rounds. There were no knockdowns and Kivlin was in charge from the start.

Angelo Andino, 180, Worcester, turned pro with a unanimous six round decision over Jimmy Cherico, 170, Brooklyn. Andino was impressive. Paul Cardoza, 176, amateur champion from New Bedford, turned pro and halted veteran Don McAteer, 185, Paterson, N.J., in the fourth round. McAteer suffered cuts over both eyes making him unable to continue.

Art Young, 160, Dorchester, edged Paul (Barrett) Barry, 162, Worcester, in a four rounder, in Young's pro debut. Sammy Molinas, 140, Worcester, gained a four round split decision over Marcelino Trinidad, 137, Worcester.

Also over the four round route, Al DeJarnette, 145, Worcester, gained a split duke over Willie Williams, 148, Brighton. Williams, making his first start in a couple of years did not appear to be in shape.

▶ **Portland, Me.**—Bob Herrington, 167, St. Louis, handed Tony Lampron, 170, Westbrook, a boxing lesson and then stopped him in the fifth round. Lampron was cut over the left eye and unable to defend himself. It was then that referee Pete Bennett called a halt.

Roy Lee, 164, Kingston, Jamaica, now fighting out of Providence, made an impressive American debut as he annihilated Sonny Floyd, 161, Trenton, in the second round of a slated 10.

Dave Gates, 156½, Laconia, N.H., earned a unanimous six round decision over his arch rival, Dick McCarthy, 157, Somerville, with whom he had boxed several split decisions and a draw in five previous encounters. Bob Payzant, 149, Freeport, needed but 46 seconds to ice Al DeJarnette, 154, Worcester. Steve Breton, 141, Portland, disposed of Marcelino Trinidad, 136, Worcester, in the third of the four round opener.

▶ **Boston**—Promoter Sam Silverman staged a live show in the Garden, in conjunction with the closed circuit televising of the Joe Frazier-Jerry Quarry bout. Irish Pat Murphy, 147, West New York, N.J., remained undefeated after eking out a close 10 round decision over Al Hughes, 142, New York. Hughes was spilled in the first round by a short right to the jaw and Murphy appeared to be an easy winner. The pair fought a sloppy fight with Hughes taking the play away from Murphy, who tired. Murphy made an all-out effort in the last round and got the tabs of all three officials.

Paul Raymond, 182, Somerville, disposed of Paul Kasper, 182, Belfast, Me., in the first round.

Art Young, 164, Dorchester proved too ringwise for Dave Gates, 159, Laconia, and took a six round split decision. Keven McGrath, 139, Worcester, scored a knockdown in the last round in taking a four round decision over Sammy Molinas, 139, Worcester.

▶ **Portland**—Sammy Goss, 127, Trenton, American Olympic representative, has been hitting high gear in New England since he turned pro. His most recent victim was New England lightweight and junior lightweight king, Irish Beau Jaynes, 130, Lowell, who managed to hold him to a 10 round split decision. Goss turned in his best performance to date and appeared to have won.

Tommy Foss, 160, Peaks Island, edged Gene Roberts, 152, Portland, in the eight round semi-final in what supposedly was a grudge fight. Foss earned the split decision. Bob Payzant 148, Freeport, gained a four round decision over Tod Purtell, 154, Lowell. Terry Rondeau, 124, Pittsfield, stopped Joe Croteau, 129, Portland, in the fourth round, scoring four knockdowns enroute. Steve Breton, 143, Portland, stopped Art Crowell, 143, Lowell, in the first round.

▶ **North Adams**—Al Romano, 143, North Adams, regained the New England welterweight crown. He had lost the title to Danny Heath in Lowell and was to have fought Heath in a rematch. It was found that Heath had to retire from the ring because of an injury. Romano faced Isidro Perez, 145, Westfield, Mass., with the vacant title at stake. Al got off to an early lead with his clever boxing while Perez was the aggressor throughout. Perez finished the fight with a blaze but it came too late. Romano had outboxed and outpunched him to win the unanimous twelve round decision.

Jimmy McDermott, Holyoke's light heavyweight, has been managing himself for the past year. He recently took over the contract of Charley Polite, Springfield heavyweight. When Polite's opponent, Mike Bruce also of Springfield, failed to show, McDermott and Polite put on a six round exhibition. Terry Rondeau, 128, Pittsfield, scored a unanimous six round decision over Tony Rivera, 133, Westfield. In a six, Pablo Rodriguez, 148, Holyoke, got off the floor in the first round to take the decision over a fading Juan Pizzaro, 155, Westfield, who was out of shape.

▶ **Portland**—Roy Lee, 169, Kingston and Providence, outfought Beau Jack Williams, 179, Camden, N.J., to win a split decision after 10 gruelling rounds. Both punched hard.

Ken Campbell, 133, Providence, won with ease over Jose Carabella, 133, Hartford, to take a unanimous decision in the eight round semi-windup. Carabella was the harder puncher but he couldn't match Campbell's speed and cleverness. Portland's amateur sensation, Larry Butler, 142, turned pro with a one round knockout over Tod Purtell, 147, Lowell.

Sylvester Dulaire, 190, Hartford, had his hands full taking a six round decision over Jerry Judge, 197, Philadelphia. Dulaire held the upperhand except for a knockdown scored by Judge in the fifth heat. Kid Valiant, 123, Westboro, won a first round TKO when Spider Murphy, 126, Lowell, decided after a bitter exchange that boxing was not for him. He left the ring and shadow-boxed as he went up the aisle.

▶ **Portland**—Pete Riccitelli, 173, Portland, had to come from behind on points to eke out a split decision over Ronnie Geoffrion, 177, New York, in 10. Riccitelli worked up a lead in the early rounds. He tired during the middle of the fight and Geoffrion came on strong with his body attack. Riccitelli finished up the ninth and tenth rounds with a whirlwind attack that swayed two of the officials.

Tommy Foss, 159, Peaks Island, had Dick McCarthy, 153, Somerville, on the floor in the first and second rounds and cut him over the left eye so that he was unable to answer the bell for the third. A right uppercut in the second round gave Larry Butler, 143, Portland, his second win. He knocked out Mike Rodriguez, 149, Worcester. Chunky Curtis McClendon, 153, Portland, has been slowly fighting himself into shape. Starting at 180 in February, his weight has been consistently lower for each fight. He won a close but unanimous four round decision over Paul Barrett, 161, Worcester. Steve Breton, 146, Portland, whipped Angel Cancel, 140, Worcester, in four.

▶ **Portland**—Veteran George Johnson, 169, Trenton, continues to amaze fans and experts alike. He is about 40 years old. Randy Stevens, 176, New York, is the latest to bow to him. Stevens had made a good showing in their scheduled 10 round feature but was unable to match Johnson once he poured it on in the late rounds. Stevens went to the corner at the end of the ninth round reeling from the beating he had received and bleeding badly from a cut inside his upper lip. He was unable to answer the bell for the final session.

Charley Polite, 204, Springfield, dropped a disputed split decision to Paul Wright, 197, Trenton, in the eight round semi-final. Polite threw too few punches in a bout that saw few good punches landed. Curtis McClendon, 151, Portland, belted out Buddy Carr, 149, Lowell, in the third round of their four spot. Billy Wade, 126, New York, uncorked a right to the jaw to flatten Phil Hudson, 132, Portland, in the second round after Hudson had been winning as he pleased.

DOUGLAS SNEEZES, VINALES GOES OFF ON SNOOZE

By John L. McCafferty

Columbus, Ohio—Hard punching Bill Douglas KO'd Luis Vinales in a middleweight bout. Douglas carried just too much power for the New Yorker. The end came early in the first round.

Steve Jones, 190, Columbus, TKOd Ronnie Asher, 202, Wheeling W. Va., in the second round of the semi.

Ed Mears, Medina, has a good looking young heavyweight in Ted Guleck.

GONZALEZ WINS BUT FINDS HIDALGO ● ALMOST HIS MATCH ●

By Harlan Haas

Houston, Tex.—Manuel Gonzalez, perennial challenger for the welterweight title, was a shade too clever for speed merchant Dario Hidalgo, Santo Domingo. Manny's job was made difficult by Hidalgo's frantic, bob and weave, flurry type boxing. Getting in quick combinations was almost impossible, so Gonzalez was forced to be content mostly with single shots.

As he has proved Gonzalez is cute enough to resort to needed styles. After 12 years you learn quite a few. Hidalgo, by virtue o two looping right hand shots in the second and ourth rounds, was ahead at the mid-way point. Manny ran and ran in the sixth and kept flicking out the left. He got the round to even up the fight. He altered his style again in the seventh, and began to score to the body, but did not do enough. He lost the round. Manny stood his ground, and almost dropped Hidalgo with a hook to the jaw in the eighth. Four digs to the midriff had the Dominican in distress.

It was the best round of the fight for Gonzalez. He came out strong again in the ninth, and Hidalgo seemed to be spent. The 10tht, however, was fought on even terms. The decision in favor of Manny was split. Referee Earl Keel tabbed it 97-95, Gonzalez; judge Ernie Taylor had it 97-94 in favor of Manny; judge Jimmy Webb saw it 97-94, Hidalgo.

The writer had Gonzalez by 96-95 as did Joe McLaughlin, Houston Chronicle. Bill Klozik, Houston Post, gave it to Hidalgo, 97-94. Manny weighed 147, Hidalgo 148½.

Jose (Pollo) Gabino, 147, Reynosa, Mexico, lowered the boom on Al Moten, 149, Beaumont, in the second round. Gabino, a two-fisted 10-year veteran, has become a loca lfavorite.

Melvin Mott, 158, Houston, was a bit cautious against Santiago (Candy) Rosa, 159, San Juan, P.R., but came on strong to edge his less experienced foe. Mott was making his first start in almost a year.

Ray Sepulveda, 138, Reynosa, and Lou Brock, 132, Houston, went six hot rounds to a draw.

▶Jesse (Chucho) Garcia, Reynosa, Mexico, lost to Charlie Shipes, Oakland, Cal., in a ten here. Garcia went into the pit with a 64-10-3 record, and Shipes was 40-2-3. Shipes took command for the first three rounds. As the fourth drew to a close he started a jab, and "Chucho" beat him to the punch with a short right. Shipes fell with a thud. He stirred at six, but fell heavily to the deck. Then the bell rang. He made it through the fifth round without any further damage. The rest of the bout had the crowd up and down as Garcia, getting the worst of it, suddenly caught Shipes with another booming punch.

In between Charlie was the busier and had his hand. Shipes weighed 147½; "Chucho," 142.

The six-round special between Houston's George Foreman, 215½, and rangy Fred Askew, 195, Memphis, was brief. Foreman, a little wild, missed with some bombs but when he landed it shook Askew to his toes. Askew gave it his all, and tried to box his way out of trouble.

However, the brute strength of the Olympic champion was too much to cope with. Foreman drove home a wicked right hand smash to the jaw and Askew tumbled into the press row. It was all over in 2:30 of round one.

Another six matched veteran Jose (Pollo) Gabino, 151, Reynosa, and Robert (Songbird) Williams, 155, Memphis. The "Songbird" was decked for nine in the first round as Gabino shot across a left hook. Gabino got the decision.

The third six brought together featherweights Lorenzo (Boom Boom) Trujillo, 125, Rosenberg, Tev., pounded out a unanimous six-round decision over Rudy Barrientes, 128, Ft. Worth. Trujillo, possibly the best conditinoed fighter on the entire card, never let up.

▶**San Antonio, Tex.**—Oscar (Shotgun) Alvarado returned to the scene of earlier triumphs to score a seven-round TKO over Johnny Brooks. Brooks was cut about the eyes, and it became necessary for the third man to intervene. Alvarado tipped the beam at 147. Brooks was a half puond lighter.

Cesar Deciga Flores, 124½, pounded out a 10-round decision over Benny McCall, 125. Manuel Avitia, 148, Monterrey, Mexico, carried too many bombs for elongated Morris Crathin, 152, Port Arthur, and scored a two-round TKO. Terry Krueger, 182, San Antonio, chilled Joe Sharlow, 187, Port Arthur, in the second round, to remain unbeaten.

Roberto Estrada, 135, San Antonio, outpointed Jimmy Trosclair, 129, New Orleans, in a six-rounder.

▶**Fort Worth**—Cowtown swung the doors wide open to professional boxing and Wayne Harrion, Jr. made his bow as a promoter.

The main go was a rip-roaring battle between Willie (Sweetwater Willie) Warren, 160, Corpus Christi, and Jose (Pollo) Gabino, 151, Reynosa, Mexico. The heavire Warren used his strength to advantage and was awarded the decision afetr 10 rounds.

Terry Daniels, 188, Dallas, kept his momentum going as one of the best prospects in the State, by chilling Lamar Thompson, 199, Dallas, in the first round. Ricardo Williams, 165, Dallas, hammered out a six-round decision over Frankie Evans, 170, Beaumont.

Joe Cokes, 160, Dallas, stopped Morris Crathin, 152, Beaumont, in the first round. Joe is a brother of Curtis. Jesse Avalos, 147, Corpus Christi, got the duke over Ernest Porter, 141½, Ft. Worth, after six rounds.

Earl Large, 117, Roswell, N.M., earned the nod over Rudy Barrientes, 122½, Ft. Worth.

▶**San Antonio**—Genaro (Baby) Soto, 136, San Juan, P.R., and Urubey (Chango) Carmona, 135, Mexico City, fought tooth and nail for 10 rounds, to a draw. Grady Ponder, 136, Miami Beach, outbattled Eliseo Flores, 136½, Mexico City, to win a 10-rounder.

Arturo Hernandez, 114, kayoed Charles Spencer, 116, in the fourth. Terry Krueger, 181, San Antonio, went up against an experienced campaigner in Tony Anchondo, 201, Phoenix, and blasted Anchondo out in the first round.

▶Anyone desiring a package of programs including the Joe Frazier-Dave Zyglewicz, Mark Tessman-Henry Hank, closed circuit of the Quarry-Frazier bout, and Charlie Shipes vs. Jesse (Chucho) Garcia, can have all four by sending one dollar to the writer at 4905 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

Dick Menchaca has a fine stable based in Port Arthur. The former Golden Gloves bantamweight champion (1939-1940), and later a standout pro, has Morris (Pickles) Crathin, Al (Fighting Mailman) Moten, John Armstrong, Frankie Evans, and Joseph Sharlow. He also represents Jesse (Chucho) Garcia and Jose (Pollo) Gabino.

Jose (Mantequilla) Napoles, welterwegiht champion, was in town for the Gonzalez-Hidalgo battle. Napoles and his manager Kid Rapidez enjoyed their week in Houston. They saw several baseball games and visited Galveston.

Steve Freeman wants action. The punching lightweight has had to contend with brittle hands during his career, which was interrupted by a tour in Vietnam. Earl Gilliam will put him in with Genaro (Baby) Soto, Frankie Narvaez, or Barnabe (Baby) Vasquez.

Johnny Hernandez vistied old friends in Houston while in for the Shipes-Garcia fight. Johnny is the manager of heavyweight Johnny Caruso.

Whitey Berlier, heavyweight out of New Orleans who fought Joey Maxim, Tommy Gomez, Jerry McSwain, Dolph Quijano, and Tunney Hunsaker was in Houston recently. Whitey is a merchant seaman.

Ruben Salazar, the Houston and Los Angeles lightweight of a few years back, is another merchant seaman who was back for a visit.

Rosenberg, Texas, is giving it a try. They've been successful with amateur shows and numerous locals are contemplating a jump to the pros. Lorenzo (Boom Boom) Trujillo, flashy young featherweight, makes his headquarters in Rosenberg. He is already a pro with one victory behind him. They can go outdoors or in a 1,200 seat arena.

CORLETTI GETS NOD, PIRES ● HOLLERS, IN BUENOS AIRES ●

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—This batch of results from Argentina reveals nothing of international importance. The closest thing to such interest came when Eduardo Corletti got a split and disputed decision in 12 rounds over Luis Pires, Brazil, South American heavyweight champion, here at Luna Park.

▶**San Juan**—Middleweight Jorge Ahumada beat Juan C. Muñoz by a TKO in round five.

▶**San Juan**—Undefeated lightweight Raúl Venardini stopped Ricardo Moreno by a TKO in four.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Welter Horacio Saldaño, undefeated, outpointed Adan Gomez in 10.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Lightweight Alfredo M. Coria outpointed Venancio Gonzalez in 10.

▶**Buenos Aires**—For the Argentine junior middle title Jose Chirino, the champ, whipped Esteban Osuna in 12 rounds, unanimous verdict.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Welter Miguel A. Campanino outpointed Anibal Di Lella in 10.

▶**Junin**—In the welter class undefeated Mario Guilloti whipped Oscar Barzola in 10 rounds.

▶**La Rioja**—Antenor Santillan stopped Placido Rene Diaz by a TKO in the seventh round. They are junior middles.

▶**Parana**—Argentine and South-American middle champion Carlos Monzón beat Carlos Salinas by a TKO in seven rounds—Non title.

▶**La Plata**—Junior welter Everaldo Costa Azervedo whipped Andres Martinez in 10 rounds.

▶**Temperley**—Argentine junior welter champion Juan A. Aranda outpointed Manuel Alvarez in 10.

▶**Ceres**—Adolfo I. Robledo beat Luis Arce in 10. Lightweights.

▶**San Rafael (Mendoza)**—Ramón Pereyra and Enrique Orona drew in 10. Junior middleweights.

▶**Mendoza**—Welterweight Jose R. Sosa stopped Luis Figueredo by a TKO in eight.

▶**La Faldo (Córdoba)**—Junior welter, Carlos Villalva beat Mario Molina on points in 10.

▶**Tandil**—Middleweight Hector J. Galvan beat Alberto Ciccopedi by a TKO in the seventh.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Undefeated junior lightweight Jose Domingo Corradi halted Alfredo M. Coria by a TKO in the seventh.

▶**Santa Rosa**—In the welter class Mario Paladino and Rodolfo Catalini fought a 10 round draw.

▶**Paraná**—Bantam Hugo Bidyeran beat Jorge Kehoe by a TKO in the fourth.

▶**Rosario**—Middleweight Ruben Martinez and Oscar Barzola drew in 10.

Buenos Aires—At the Luna Park Ring middleweight prospect Ramón Pereyra outpointed Angel Osuna in 10.

▶**Rio Cuarto**—Argentine flyweight champion drew with Helenio Ferreira, Brazil, in 10 rounds.

▶**Temperley**—Middleweight Osvaldo Mariño whipped Jose Luis Colen in 10.

▶**Mar del Plata**—Local welterweight champion Anibal Di Lella won over Matias Colque in a 10-round decision.

▶**Buenos Aires—In the Luna Park Stadium** welterweight Adolfo Montenegro drew with Hector Blanco in 10 rounds.

▶**Rosario**—Santiago Joseff whipped Jorge Acosta in a 10-round bantamweight bout.

▶**Metan (Salta)**—In the lightweight class Enrique Mattos and Simón Gallardo drew in 10.

▶**San Rafael (Mendoza)**—In a lightweight fight Aldo Retamales won over Luis Acosta via a TKO in the second round. On the same night and at the same weight Juan C. Barrios defeated Hector Lara over four rounds by a technical decision.

▶**Buenos Aires—At the Luna Park Ring**—Abel Cachazú outpointed Edmundo Leite, from Brazil, in a 10-round welterweight contest.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Argentine junior welter champion, Juan Alberto Aranda, won over Oscar Barzola by a disqualification in the third round.

▶**Temperley**—In a welterweight contest Alejandro Nievas beat Osvaldo Scardini via a TKO in the first round. In a lightweight bout Luis Silva won over Felipe Brites with a TKO in the third.

▶**Cordoba**—In a welter fight veteran Ricardo Falech outpointed Armando Marcchisio in 10 rounds.

▶**Rio Cuarto**—In a junior middleweight fight, Ramon Pereyra defeated Enrique Orona by a TKO in the 10th round. On the same night welter Miguel Tissera kayoed Pedro Corzo in the second round.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Argentine and South American middleweight champion Carlos Monzon won over Harold Richardson, U.S.A., by a TKO in third round.

▶**San Carlos de Bariloche**—In the welterwegiht division Domingo Rubio, from Chile, beat Nelson Gomez, from Brazil, in 10 rounds.

▶**Buenos Aires**—Hard puncher, junior middleweight Rodolfo Catalini won over Lujan Barrios, from Uruguay, by a TKO in the 10th round.

▶**Junin**—Undefeated in the welter class Mario Guilloti, third place winner in the Olympic Games at Mexico in 1968 defeated Miguel A. Bravo by a TKO in the seventh.

▶**Neuquen**—In a junior welter contest Everaldo Costa Azevedo, from Brazil, won from Bruno Urra by a TKO in the seventh round.

▶**San Juan**—In a junior middleweight bout Esteban Osuna, Number 4 in the Official Argentine Ratings won over Raul O. Pereyara by a KO in the fourth round.

▶**Cordoba**—In the welter class Angel Roman won over Adolfo Montenegro by a TKO in nine rounds.

▶**San Vicente (Santa Fe)**—In a bantamweight affair, Hugo Bidyeran whipped Jorge Acosta in 10 rounds by a decision.

▶**Santa Rosa**—In a welter meeting Miguel Angel Campanino outpointed Yanny Gracia in 10 rounds.

▶**Tucuman**—Argentine and South American lightweight champion Carlos Aro drew with Cirilo Pausa in 10 rounds in a non-title bout.

▶**Buenos Aires**—In a lightweight fight, Hector Pace, Number One in the Official Argentine Ratings, defeated Pedro Coria in points over 10 rounds.

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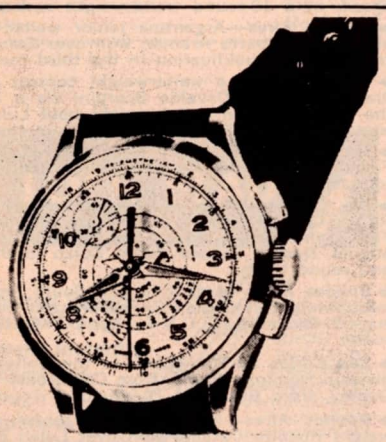

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HENRIQUE BEATS PERKINS AS OLD CAMPAIGNER GOES FLAT

By Bo Zaine

Sao Paulo, Brazil—There was a good fight here, with Joao Henrique getting the better of that old campaigner Eddie Perkins, 145, in 10 rounds. The native got a unanimous decision. Henrique weighed 141.

Perkins said after the fight that Henrique could give champion Nicolino Loche a hard fight, maybe beat him

The American ran out of gas in the sixth round, and Henrique sailed along for a win.

Sao Paulo, Brazil—Brazilian feather champion Roberto Santana won from Alcides Ferrujo, Uruguay, when the latter was disqualified in the fifth for a foul. Santana was ahead on points when the fight was stopped. Middle Luis Fabri beat Osvaldo Amaral on points in 6. Iedo Pacheco, lightweight, knocked out Jovino Rodrigues in the fourth.

▶ **Sao Paulo**—Lightweight Raimundo Dias had two judges on his side, while Orlando Ribeiro had one. With that victory, Dias became the new champion. Ribeiro recently went 10 rounds even with Carlos Aro. Middle Salvador Durante decisioned Antonio Lima in six. Galdino Santana outpointed Miguel Araujo in a junior lightweight contest, four.

▶ **Sao Paulo**—Luis Cesar, middleweight champion of Brazil, outpointed "carioca" Manoel Severino in 10. Pompilio Genico and Aladim Sambram, Uruguay, went to a draw in six rounds. Heavyweights Francisco Dias and Valdir Guedes went four even.

▶ **Corumbá**—Former world bantam champion Eder Jofre made a good show against Oripes dos Santos in six rounds.

▶ **Sao Paulo**—Miguel de Oliveira, welter, outboxed Spanish Martinez Larroya, who gave up between the 6th and 7th rounds. Oliveira was ahead on points and made the Spaniard take a count of 8 in the second round. In another welterweight bout, Nestor Pires beat Cipriano Viana in six. Joao Santos outpointed José Evangelista in a junior welter, four.

▶ **Sao Paulo**—Junior Tony Barbosa, 119, vs. "carioca" Jorge Pereira, 120, ended in the fifth. Barbosa scored a KO. Joel Gomes, 129, won from Joao Evangelista, 127, on points after 6 rounds. Iedo Pacheco, 134, won in the second over José Durante, 133, who received a cut eye. This was the fourth professional match for Pacheco, and he is 4-0 with 3 KO-victories. Diogo Sanches, 135, against José Dias, 132, was declared a technical draw.

CHUVALO'S BID FOR BRITISH TITLE FIGHT IS SNUBBED

By Frank Allnutt

Toronto, Canada—Efforts to arrange a Canadian heavyweight title defense for George Chuvalo have been unsuccessful and with little local talent in other classes no pro shows have run here since mid-June.

Bob Cleroux, Montreal, does not wish to spoil his chances of a couple of big pay days by meeting Chuvalo. Cleroux will go with Billy Joiner in Montreal at the end of the month.

Even with the British Empire heavyweight championship vacant, offers made by the management of Chuvalo for a title fight have been turned down by B.B.B.C.

Colin Fraser, Toronto, is having problems getting fights. A bout which was cancelled out was to have been against Donato Paduano, Montreal welterweight. The match was made for July 3, but as Paduano had a 10-round fight in Madison Square Garden eleven days later the Fraser fight was nixed.

Both Paduano, winner of 10 straight, and Clyde Gray, Toronto, winner of fourteen straight, both welterweights, are fast running out of Canadian opposition. Joey Durelle, Montreal, the listed Canadian champion, who has problems making 147, is interested only in non-title bouts. In a recent non-title bout Durelle met Dave Hilton over 10, both fighters scaled 157. Durelle turned down an offer to defend his title against Gray here in Toronto at the Canadian National Exhibition.

The Canadian Boxing Federation is very lax in dealing with Canadian title holders who refuse to defend their titles against legitimate contenders.

Having lost his last three bouts in a row, Bobby Felstein, Toronto heavyweight, has dropped out of the picture. He is driving a cab.

McMILLAN, OUT FOR A YEAR, BEATS FOSTER IN VANCOUVER

By Jim Johnston

Vancouver, B.C.—Mickey McMillan, Prince George lightweight, returned to action after a year's absence from the ring, and won. McMillan, 136, overcame an early lead to pound out a close eight-round decision over Al Foster, 133, Seattle.

Foster cut McMillan's right eye in the third and had the edge in the early rounds. McMillan staggered his opponent in the final round with a two-fisted attack that brought the crowd to its feet.

It was the first pro card to be staged in Prince George in over two years. Promoter was Mary Ann Cauldwell, of the newly formed Western Sporting Club.

Cliff "Tiger" Williams, 202, Phoenix, Arizona, beat Tommy Burns, 194, Vancouver. The referee disqualified Burns at 2:37 of the first round for rough tactics. The match was a brawl while it lasted.

Hugh Mercier, 193, Edmonton, upset the dope when he iced Eddie Ostopovich, 179½, Vancouver, at 2:38 of the first round. Mercier caught Ostopovich with an overhand right followed by a clubbing left which caught Eddie on the way down.

Kalman Santosi, 158, Vancouver, outboxed Tommy DelVecchio 161½, of Burnaby, in winning a unanimous eight-round decision.

▶ Jackie Burke, Saint John, N.B., successfully defended his Canadian bantamweight title at Lethbridge, Alberta. He outpointed Billy McGrandle, Edmonton, over 12 rounds before a crowd of 1,400.

Mercier stopped Ted McCain, Port Arthur, in the third round at the 2:07 mark.

McMillan seeks a re-match with Al Ford for Canadian lightweight title.

OLYMPIAN FOREMAN MAKES IT THREE IN SUCCESSION

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

Baltimore Md.—George Foreman, Olympic heavyweight champion, scored his third pro victory at the expense of Sylvester Dullaire at the Rosecroft Raceway, Oxon Hill Md.

Dullaire, who was undefeated in seven bouts, failed to last out the first round. Referee Terry Moore came to his rescue at 2:59.

Dullaire, from Hartford, Conn., scaled 185½ and was outweighed by 33 pounds. He took some hefty wallops before he was driven through the ropes. He hit the apron with a thud and rolled back into the ring. Moore reached the ten count at the same time Dullaire reached his feet. Moore looked over the stricken boxer and called a halt.

Ralph Palladin, 156¾,, Hyattsville, Md., posted his fourteenth straight win by TKOing Spider Freeman, 155¼, Boston Mass., at the end of the sixth round, Freeman tumbled out of the ring and fell on his head on the turf at the end of the fifth round. Freeman made it back in time to start the sixth only to have Palladin pound him from pillar to post. Freeman's handlers called a halt at the end of the round.

Joe Shaw, 152, New York, was a last minute substitute, and a three round TKO winner over Johnny Doyan, 156¾, Piney Point, Md. Shaw had his foe down for a count in the first round and again in the third when referee Tom Kelly called a halt.

The best bout was an eight round draw between Adrian Davis, 138, and Teddy Cooper, 144¾, both from Washington.

This was the first professional boxing show held in that area in veterans' memories.

ESPINOZA STOPS HERRERA IN TENTH ROUND AT QUITO

By Bruno Stornaiolo

Quito, Ecuador—Eugenio Espinoza, 137, kayoed Colombian Antonio "Mochila" Herrera, 136, in the 10th round.

Angel "Petiso" Sánchez, 113, kayoed Colombian Alfonso Valiente, 114, four.

Ramiro "Clay" Bolaños, 134 kayoed, in second round, Panamanian Mario Molo, 131. Waldemiro Pinto, Brazil, 120½, decisioned Oswaldo Dávalos, 125, eight.

JOSE TORRES VS. BOB FOSTER? IT COULD BE BORING

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at the end, save a fighter from a knockout. Referee Johnny LoBianco seemingly didn't notice the violation, which made Torres subject to disqualification.

Green dropped Torres again in the second with a right and the former champion made it to his feet at the count of eight.

Jose, at age 33 without a fight under his belt since April 1968, looked like an old man. The fans were amazed when he threw a sucker punch—a right hand—that found Green's chin, to end the fight.

According to sources close to Torres, a fight is being engineered to take place in San Juan, Puerto Rico, with Bob Foster, light heavyweight champion.

This is the only locale where such a match could happen. Torres no longer is a favorite of New York Puerto Ricans since losing his title. His friends in Puerto Rico are still legend and his appearance is greeted on the Isle with ardor.

Such a contest might draw in San Juan but would attract only flies elsewhere. The fans know what they witnessed in Torres' poor showing with Green. The public knows that Jose could be taken out by Foster at his discretion. Foster is one of the best boxers around as well as one of the hardest punchers. Foster vs. Torres would be a horrible mismatch.

If Torres wants to fight again for the crown he should prove himself eligible.

Fight buffs talk about Jose meeting former champion of the light heavies, Dick Tiger.

The other 10-round features on the Torres card gave Garden fans a glimpse of Ismael Laguna, former lightweight champion, who is campaigning for another crack at the title. Ismael is rated as the number one contender by The Ring.

Laguna, 136, showed championship style as he repeatedly jabbed Genaro "Baby" Soto, 135½, of New York, and caught his prey with right hand leads. Soto's best effort was an awkward left and an attempt to baffle the former champion by switching to a southpaw style. Laguna won a unanimous 10-round decision and a right to another Garden showing.

In the other 10-rounder, Donato Paduano, born in Italy, now living in Montreal, halted Billy Lonergan, New York. The referee halted the fight in the sixth round.

THE CHATTER BOX

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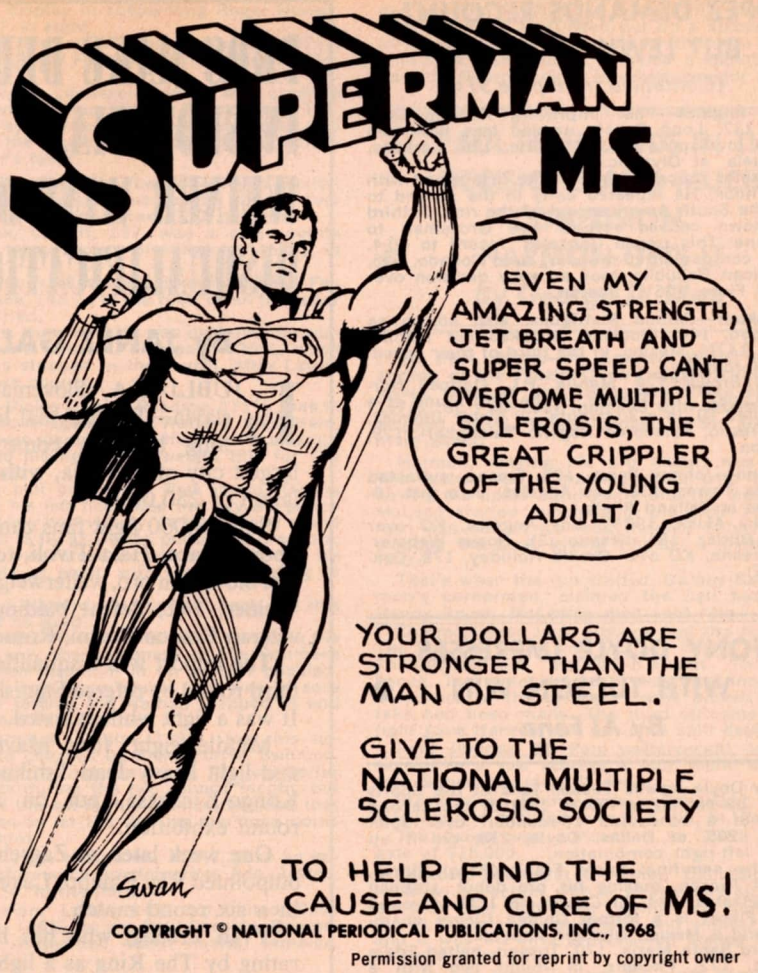
due to a title bout in Australia. He is the real manager. . . . The murder conviction of ex-middleweight Ruben Carter was upheld by New Jersey's highest court . . . Joe Louis will be able to pay off the back taxes he owes the government. A new earning field should enable Joe to settle the case . . . Patsy Rubino, a bantamweight of the Twenties, died in Troy, N.Y. He was 71 . . . New England light heavyweight Jimmy McDermott has turned fight manager. He's now the mentor of heavyweight Charley Polite.

San Diego featherweight Bobby Valdez is on the shelf due to an eye injury . . . Ex-heavyweight Pete Rademacher is now refereeing in Ohio . . . Korean flyweight O Un Mo teaches English in a Korean high school when not boxing . . . Monmouth Park (N.J.) leading jockey Paul Kallai was once a boxer in his native Hungary. He was the national flyweight champion, scoring 95 kayos in roughly 10 bouts . . . Philadelphia middleweight Bennie Briscoe is refereeing amateur boxing bouts for SOC in the Public Parks in Philly . . . Las Vegas promoter Bill Miller is branching out his promotions to San Diego and Phoenix. Bill is being backed by world-renowned financier Howard Hughes.

Kent Green, one of the three amateur boxers to hold victories over Cassius Clay, is on the comeback trail in Miami. The other two victories over Clay belong to Amos Johnson and Jimmy Ellis . . . Boxing commissions are getting very lax lately. A welterweight from New England was kayoed twice in two rounds within four days. Also, a Texas fighter in the same division was stopped twice in one week. He had six bouts this year, and was kayoed in five and lost a decision . . . A poison pen campaign against a big name in the boxing world is going on strong. So far no reaction from this figure, who has a good lawsuit if the writer of this trash can't back up his filth . . . A sad note from England has it that referee Bill Williams has called it quits after his controversial decision in the O'Halloran-Gizzi heavyweight bout. Bill has been under pressure from both the newspapers and the Boxing Board. Bill's decision was the official one, but members of the Board at ringside had Gizzi ahead and publicly stated so. Williams was a referee for 20 years, and was considered one of the top five in England.



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"HOW I WILL DESTROY ELLIS!"

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in Houston saying Ellis had accepted terms for a fight with Frazier at the Astrodome. We answered we had accepted terms with Madison Square Garden and had signed a contract for a fight with Ellis there.

"We will prove to Ellis and Cassius Clay that Joe Frazier is the authentic champion.

"Ellis will be a tune-up for Clay. We hope he settles his problem."

LOPEZ DEMANDS RECOUNT, BUT LEWIS HAS NOD

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▶**Los Angeles**—Fast improving Rodolfo Gonzales, 137, Long Beach, needed less than two rounds to dispose of Julio Viera, 136, Caracas, Venezuela, at Olympic.

Gonzales dropped Viera in the first round with a left hook. He repeated early in the second to send the South American out of the ring. A third knockdown caused referee Lee Grossman to intervene. This upped Gonzales' record to 40-4.

In a companion 10-rounder, Juan Collado, 125, Dominican Republic, took an easy decision over Leo Di Fiore, 126½, Boston.

▶**Stockton**—Ramon Rodriguez, also known as Kid Rayo, 144, Stockton, knocked out Manuel Alcala, 147½, Mexico, in the third of their scheduled 10-rounder.

Billy Brown, 120, Manila, P.I., stopped Norberto Lopez, 119, Fresno, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10. In a 30-minute 10, Victor Jimenez, 128, Fresno, outscored Rogelio Tulonghari, 129, Stockton.

▶**Fresno**—Johnny Perez, 128, Fresno, outlasted Georges Torres, 133, Los Angeles, in a fast 10-rounder at Selland Arena.

Bunky Akins, 193½, Los Angeles, KO over Eddie Butler, 184, Fresno (3); Roger Webster 173, Fresno, KO over Orville Holliday, 178, Oakland (2).

TONY DOYLE IMPRESSES ● WITH TUCSON WIN ●

By Al Fenn

Tony Doyle wowed Tucson fans at the Sports Center by scoring a KO in 1:59 of the second round of a scheduled 10-rounder, over John Carroll, 205, of Dallas. Doyle, 218, did it up with a left-right combination.

In the semifinal event Frank (Paco) Flores, 142, of Tucson, making his pro debut, stopped Max Serratos, 144, El Centro, in 1:32 of round three. Flores is a former Golden Gloves champion, and a Mexico Olympic hopeful.

Arturo Santa Maria, 170, Tucson, halted Eddie Lorrent, 172, Phoenix, in round two with a vicious left to the body

▶Alton Colter, 129, flashed to an impressive KO in the eighth round over Jose Arias of Mexico, in an outdoor fight at the Municipal Stadium. Also Zora Folley, 209, Chandler, stopped Tommy (Hurricane) Sims in round one. Sims, 195, Houston, took a hard body shot and that was enough. The Colter-Arias fight was a thriller. Both slugged toe-to-toe throughout most of the early going. Colter, highly ranked featherweight, had Arias on the deck four times.

Classy Earl Large, 117, Clovis, N.M., stopped Mike Vasquis, 120, Nogales, in round one. David Oropeza, 145, stopped Max Serratos, 145, in the second. Oropeza, managed by Lucky Hansen, is a comer, as is Large. Both are former National Gloves champs.

LAGUNA TROUNCES ESCOBAR, AVENGING "DECISION" ● IN QUITO ●

By Harry Griffo

Panama City, Panama—Ismael Laguna left here the happiest boxer in the world. Not the greatest. Not the wealthiest. Not the most prominent. But the happiest. This condition traced to Ismael's complete and definite 10 round victory over Eugenio Escobar on Ismael's home ground.

On May 24, in Quito, Laguna deserved the decision but the home lad got it, in conditions which prevented Ismael from showing at his best.

This time, under fair conditions, Escobar got a bad beating.

The impression gained by the fans here was that Laguna could beat the boy from Ecuador ten times out of ten with unbiased officials and with sportsmanlike conditions.

Laguna had to win this one not only to avenge the bad decision in Ecuador, but to protect his match with Genaro Soto in Madison Square Garden.

Laguna, former world lightweight champion, is getting plenty of attention from Cain Young, who has sold most of his real estate interests in Brooklyn to devote himself to boxing activity.

PROS MAKE DEBUT IN SLOVENIA; WEINER WINS ON DISQUALIFICATION

By JANEZ GALE

LJUBLJANA, Slovenia, Yugoslavia—Professional boxing at long last has come to this largest city of Slovenia, with a population of 250,000.

Some 3,000 fight fans came to the Sport Palace, Hala Tivoli, to see the first Slovenian pro, welterweight Sredo Weiner, 142, defeat balding Italian veteran Franco Rosini, Rome, 146.

The import was disqualified in the third round by referee Stanislav Gale. It was a fight while it lasted.

Middleweight Joze Maver, 160, and light heavy Jean Tshikuna, 170, Kongo-Kinshasa, put on a three-round exhibition.

One week later, at Zagreb, Maver outpointed Ray Philipp, Luxembourg, in a six round match.

Yvan Prebeg, who has had high rating by The Ring as a light heavy, is Yugoslavia's standout professional boxer.

The sport has been making fine progress in this country.

In the Olympics in Mexico City last Summer, Zronimir Vujin, Yugoslavia, got as far as the lightweight semi finals, where he lost to Josef Grudzien, of Poland.

ROMAN OUTPOINTS WEPNER IN CLOSE ONE ● AT SAN JUAN ●

By Nick Rivera Martino

San Juan, Puerto Rico—Before ac apacity crowd at Hiram Bithorn Stadium Joe "King" Roman won a unanimous decision over heavyweight Chuck Wepner. Wepner from New Jersey, came into the bout with two recent victories, Roberto Davilla and Mike Bruce. Both fighters sustained a rapid pace. In the seventh round Wepner connected with a left hook that decked the Puerto Rican. However, Roman recuperated rapidly. Wepner threw enough punches in the late rounds to make it close.

In the semi-final eight rounder lightweight Wilson Yambo, 15-0, was awarded an unpopular decision over Castro Ramirez.

In another card at the same arena Victor Melendez, a 137 pound New York Puerto Rican, won a unanimous decision over Julio Viera, 135, Venezuela.

The feature 10 rounder saw Pete Toro defeat mainlander Dick Divorica in a hotly contested match. This victory proved particularly sweet for the 148 pound Puerto Rican since it avenged a defeat by Divorica in the States.

In a special eight rounder lightweight Angel Espada scored a fifth round TKO over Enrique Paz, Dominican Republic.

GRIFFITH BELTS DI VERONICA ● OUT IN SYRACUSE RING ●

By Vince Jim Leo

Syracuse, N.Y.—Dickie DiVeronica, 151½, and Emile Griffith, 152½, two time titleholder, met here, only too briefly. Griffith, showing his fine boxing know-how, found the midsection of his opponent inviting as the bout progressed.

In round six, with DiVeronica's defense lowered, Emile's sharp hitting opened a gash over an eye. DiVeronica ran into a flurry in round seven, and then a crisp one-two sent Dickie reeling and visibly hurt.

Referee Jack Milicich stopped the contest to save Diveronica from further bombardment.

In the semi-final, Sammy Goss, 127½, Trenton, N.J., former Olympian, won unanimously over Ivelaw Eastman, 129, Guyana, in a six-rounder.

Tommy Hicks, 186, Ithaca College graduate, had to settle for a draw against Bobby Mashburn, 208, New York, in a six. Hicks was the aggressor. Mashburn showed good moves and quick hands. Mashburn is a Sandy Saddler protege.

Forest Ward, 200, N.Y., TKO'd Al Banks, 191, Dallas, at 1:31 of round five. An eye cut proved disastrous for Banks.

Gary Bailey, 149, N.Y., was a TKO winner over Joe Williams, 149, Brooklyn, at 2:29 of the sixth.

For the Central City, Amos brothers promotion, the bouts drew a disappointing 2,331 fans.

▶Syracuse was the host city for the first meeting between the West Germany amateur boxing team and the united States team. The U.S. team cracked a three year monoply, by copping six of the nine bouts. Here are the results: 112—David Vasquez, Bronx dec. Wolfgang Penzler; 119—Jesus Gomez, Manhattan dec. Georg Diem; 125—Herman Klee, dec. Cecil Beverly, Washington, D.C.; 132—Johnny Harp, Syracuse, TKO'd Ingo Gutt, 3. 139—Eddie Beauford, Syracuse, dec. Jurgen Voss; 147—Wolfgang Fiedler, dec. Al Thomas, Millville, N.J.; 165—John Baldwin, Detroit, KO'd Ewald Jarmer, 1; 175—Dave Matthews, Cleveland, dec. Karsten Honhold; Heavyweight Horst Kochemann, TKO'd Wayne Magee, Riverhead, L.I., two.

▶Syracusians were saddened by the death of Leonard Bennett, 58, a former welterweight boxer, veteran of over 300 bouts.

HAMM RETURNS FROM WAR ● WITH DRAW AGAINST BELL ●

By Tom Ephrem

Tampa, Fla.—From one war into another tells the story of David Hamm, henceforth King David, from Leesburg. Returning from Vietnam Hamm faced Roscoe Bell in a 10 round main event and held the heavier, favored, more experienced Miamian to a draw.

Bell had the power but Hamm's speed and boxing took care of that in one of the best toppers Earl Gilliam has promoted in Fort Hesterly Armory.

The Boxing Commission wouldn't allow Bell to come in at 150 to David's 137½, but Roscoe worked off five pounds. The card had another goodie in a middleweight fracas between Tommy Torino, 150, Hollywood, Fla., and "Jarrin' Joe" Washington, Tampa. This was a sixer and almost ended in the opening round when the 154 pound Washington tossed dynamite against Tommy.

Surviving the near-disaster Torino came back to take the play away and edge the local boy in a close one.

The semi-final sixer found Tony Licata racking up another win over Jim Mells, a 147 pounder from St. Petersburg. Licata, a 17 year old from New Orleans, continues to build up his name. He's a welterweight.

An opening six gave Tampans something to shout about as home towner Bernard Bennett, middleweight, pounced on Ray Lavarro, 150, Hollywood, Fla., to take the decision.

▶World champions can learn from the underdog and the 175 pound boss Bob Foster is no exception. He was dealt a scare by Levan Roundtree at Atlanta. A cut eye relieved him after three good rounds of fighting in which Roundtree held the lead on the scorecards of all officials. With that fine left jab of his, Foster was able to swap an eye for an eye (both suffered injured optics) and hurriedly wrapped up a TKO. Referee Ed Morgan stopped the mix.

In the semi-final, Bobby Alford, Atlanta middleweight, uncorked one of his heavy fists on Harry White, 165, Warner Robbins AFB, and it was "Good Night, Harry" in 2:10 of the second round.

James Wiseman, 160, in his professional debut, was a knockout victor over Frank Dempsey, 155, in 1:50 of the opening round.

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The early lead of Bodell stood him in good stead. The limping Roman never gave Bodell a chance to score with his heavy left swings.

During the last round, referee Harry Gibbs threatened to intervene when Roman was dragging his right leg, but the game import brushed him aside with the remark, "I am O.K."

The booing when Bodell's arm was raised was not warranted, for he was a clear points winner. But the standing ovation for Roman was due to the stern opposition that he put up after the fifth against the number one challenger for the British heavyweight title, now that Henry Cooper has declared that he will not defend his long held British heavyweight championship.

Les McAteer, 157¼, is the new British middleweight champion by virtue of his 11th round victory over the 33 year old Wally Swift, 156½. The title was declared vacant when Johnny Pritchett decided to hang up his gloves.

It was a do or die effort by Swift to regain the title that he lost to Pritchett.

In the first round, McAteer raised a lump on Swift's left eye.

It looked all over in the third, when McAteer landed a right that decked Swift for two.

McAteer raised the hopes of his supporters as he evaded the aggressive attacks of Swift. When a cut on Swift's eye appeared, it seemed all over but the shouting. It was a bad cut.

In the tenth, Swift was advised to call it a day. He begged for another round. The eye began to get worse so manager Biddle called referee George Smith to his corner, and advised him that Swift could not continue.

Before the Bodell-Roman contest, Swift returned to the ring to state that he was retiring from boxing. He received a big hand from the crowd that applauded him all through his career.

Ken Buchanan, British lightweight champion, was to have met Carlos Teo Cruz in a final eliminator for the right to box for the world lightweight title, but Teo was injured in training. As a last minute substitute, Jerry Graci, of Boston, was called in, and he lasted just 105 seconds of the first round.

Graci was outclassed. Referee Harry Gibbs stopped it. Graci did not land a single punch.

Wes Yapp, Jamaica, outpointed Billy Arme, Nottingham, in a middleweight six. Freddie Williams, Nuneaton, stopped Micky Vann, Leeds, in the second of a lightweight contest.

Kensington, London—John "Young" McCormack, Brixton, 177¼, gained sweet revenge for a recent defeat by Guinea Roger, Nigeria, 177¾. This time he did not get careless and get caught by long right swings.

The Brixton Irishman attacked from the start with left hooks to the head and body that made Roger back away.

In the second McCormack went in for the kill, and was a little careless, for with hands at his side, he was caught by a long right as he came forward.

A lecture by trainer Frank Duffett brought out John with the intention of ending the conflict . . . he had Roger at his mercy with a two handed rally to the body, with a following right that put him on the canvas for three.

As Roger was in no condition to defend himself, referee Syd Nathan helped Roger to his corner.

John "Darkie" Smith, Kentish Town, 161½, outclassed the ring worn Ernest Musso, Rhodesia, 162¾, and referee Harry Paulding intervened in the last of an eight round encounter to save Musso.

Joe Cascales, Northampton via Spain, 132, stopped Bill Kotey, Ghana, 130¾, in the third.

▶ **Shoreditch**—Ralph Charles, West Ham, 147, took 2:54 of the first round to prove that Frenchman Andre L'Homme, 149, was not in the same class. After Andre had taken four counts in that short time without striking a blow, referee Bill White stopped it.

Karim Young, Nigeria, 121, stopped Tony Humm, Tottenham, 118¾, in the sixth . . . Referee Bill White came to the assistance of Humm.

Mohammad Ellah, Ghana, 146, knocked out Johnny Weeks, West Ham, 139, in the third.

Brian Whelan, Luton, 143¾, outpointed Pat Marshall, Bristol, 145¼, in six. Stan Miles, Bermondsey, 158½, stopped Gerald Gooding, Barbados, 160, in the sixth. Lloyd Duncan, West Ham, 158¼, had a big weight advantage over Dave Ivory, Peckham, 147½, and won on points in six.

▶ **National Sporting Club, London** — Roy John, Abercynon, 167, had too much boxing knowledge for Royal Marine Maxie Smith, Southsea, 176, who was narrowly outpointed in an interesting eight.

In the fourth when John unleased a right to The Marine's jaw, the latter staggered back to the ropes but recovered to use the ring and his long left jab.

In the final round Smith was forced to take a count of seven which had a big bearing on the decision.

Willie Reilly, Wembley via Glasgow, 127½, gave an inspiring display in outpointing Roger Howes, Norwich, 127, in eight.

Eric Blake, former amateur champion, 157½, knocked out Danny Fontillio, Bermondsey, 161¼, in the third.

Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 139½, was credited with a win over Seamus Mahon, Bermondsey, 138, when a cut eye, suffered in the first round, and worsened in the fourth, forced the referee to intervene in Tiger's favor.

▶ **National Sporting Club, London**—Hugh Baxter, Glasgow, 127¾, was a clear points winner over Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 130, in eight.

Clive Cook, Cardiff, 157, was a clear points winner over Larry Brown, Birmingham, 165½, in eight.

Jackie Gilmour, Glasgow, 150, defeated Ray Falone, Battersea, 145½, in the fifth, when the latter was disqualified.

John Kellie, Dundee, 119, was declared the winner over Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, 120¼, when the bout was stopped in the fourth, after Laurie had taken two counts.

▶ **Reading**—Dickie Owens, Reading, 171½, was in devastating form against Phil Watford, West Ham, 173¼, who was slammed to defeat on his attempt to hold on to his light heavyweight title for The Southern Area.

When the bell ended the first round, Owens showed that his left hook was the pay off punch that would bring him victory. In the second round sparks began to fly as Owens put on the pressure, and Watford was forced to take a long count. He rose unsteady at eight, with the bell coming to his aid.

In the third Watford tried to fight back, but this effort was of no avail.

It was a weary Watford who faced Owens in the fourth, and only the gameness of the Southern Area champion kept him in an upright position. Watford took two more counts and was in sore straits when referee Sid Nathan stepped in and helped Watford to his corner.

Pat McCormack, Dublin, 139¾, saw his unbeaten record checked by Ricky Porter, Swindon, 145¼, through the cut eye bogey. Pat had Porter in dire straits during the two rounds fought, but at the end of the set-to, his seconds decided that it was no use to let the fighting Irishman come out for the third.

Howard Sharpe, Harlesden, 159¾, gave an impressive performance in defeating Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, 161¼, in the third.

Brian Whelan, Luton, 143, outpointed Dave Evans, Poole, 146½, in six. Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, 183, outpointed Albert Austin, Jamaica, 204, in a six.

▶ **Cardiff**—Dennis Please, Cardiff, lost his chance to become the Welsh middleweight champion, when he hit the holder, Carl Thomas, Cardiff, after he had sent him onto the canvas with a right to the jaw. Thomas was on one knee, and the excited Please rained three blows on the head of the fallen boxer in the third.

Referee Adrian Morgan had no option but to disqualify Please.

Denis Avoth, Cardiff, and Del Phillips, Carmarthen, fought their hearts out in their heavyweight eight. The referee declared a draw.

Steve Curtis, Cardiff, former amateur flyweight champion, won the Welsh bantamweight title in his fifth professional bout, when he outpointed Glyn Davies, Llanelli, in 10.

Pat Mahoney, Cardiff, stopped Paul Rees, Cardiff, in the fourth of a middleweight bout.

Ronnie Hough, Liverpool, stopped Brenden Ingle, Liverpool, in the third of a middleweight contest.

▶ **World Sporting Club, London**—Rarely has one seen the sight that followed the decision that made Big Jack O'Halloran, USA, 240, a points winner over Carl Gizzi, Welsh heavyweight champion, 200½, at the end of 10 rounds.

The Welshman scored three to one in left hand leads, with the dine and belt fans enjoying the fare served up.

O'Halloran's trainer kept up a tirade to coax his heavyweight to get in there and throw punches. Only in the final round did he respond, and had Gizzi reeling around the ring every time that he connected with long right hand blows to the head.

There was a loud outburst when the referee's card was announced, 49¼ to 49, a mere ¼ of a mark, which meant that the American was ONE round in front.

The British Boxing Board, two days later, named Carl Gizzi the logical challenger to meet Jack Bodell for the title vacated by Henry Cooper.

The £1,000 competition for heavyweights produced an outsider as the winner in Don McAlinden, Coventry, who went through his three fights with wins inside the distance. The Irishman showed the stuff to bring the cheers from the fans.

Billy Wynter, Antigua, 207½, outpointed Jack Cotes, Kirby, 198, in three, in the first series.

Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, 181, outpointed Obe Hepburn, Manchester, 190½, in three.

Don McAlinden, Coventry via Ireland, 207, stopped John Cullen, Bedford, 188, in the second. Richard Dunn, Halifax, 194, outpointed Del Phillips, Cardiff, 192, in three.

Semi final—Avoth outpointed Wynter—McAlinden knocked out Richard Dunn, in the second.

In the final, McAlinden put up a splendid performance in stopping Dennis Avoth in the first.

In a six, Alber Austin, Jamaica, outpointed Paul Cassidy, Bournemouth, in a heavyweight contest.

ST. PAUL FIGHT ENDS IN THREE DECISIONS AND MUCH CONFUSION, ● HARMON GETS IT ●

By George D. Blair

St. Paul, Minn.—In Emmett Weller's "live" portion of the Frazier-Quarry closed circuit television show at the Auditorium, Dave Harmon, 167¼, St. Paul, was matched with veteran Doug McLeod, 167¾, Grand Rapids, in the six round main event.

Harmon, making his pro debut, was crude. The match was a mauling affair with Harmon having the upper hand going into the last round. McLeod started punching in the sixth and Harmon was out on his feet. Referee Billy McCabe stopped the bout, giving McLeod a sixth round TKO.

That's when the fun started. Barney Neff, Harmon's cornerman, claimed the bell had rung. Danny Spunt, McLeod's man said "No."

Commissioner Jack Gibbons had the final say. The bell had rung, and McCabe hadn't heard it. The decision was "McLeod in a split." The crowd booed. Ten minutes later it was announced that a recheck of the officials' cards proved a mistake had been made. The third outcome of the fight gave Harmon the win on a split decision.

Fred Jiminez, St. Paul welterweight, won his second in a row scoring a four round decision over Simon Maestes, St. Paul.

Steve Silver, Minneapolis welterweight, scored a four round decision over Bob Hill, St. Paul.

The crowd was announced as 2,999 with a gate of $15,000.

▶ **LaCross, Wis.**—Pat O'Connor, 166, Rochester, returned to action with a unanimous six round decision over Bob "Red" Reilly, 166, Gary, Ind. It was O'Connor's fourteenth win without a loss and it was the first professional boxing card at LaCross since 1961.

O'Connor again injured his right hand which he broke in his March fight with Duane Horsman. O'Connor won easily, flooring Reilly with a right hand in the second round.

O'Connor scored with a right to Reilly's head in the third round and it appeared it was at this point that O'Connor injured the hand. After that he was a left handed fighter.

Ray Christian, Winnipeg, stopped Hosia Stubbs, Chicago, six, Middleweights. Johnny Mac, Chicago, outpointed Fred Askew, Memphis, six, Heavyweights. Fred Jiminez, St. Paul, knocked out Simon Maestes, St. Paul, three. Welterweights. Steve Silver, Minneapolis, outpointed Tom Heisler, Milwaukee, four, Welterweights.

Fred Jiminez, Pt. Paul welterweight, is a future headliner. Jiminez is undefeated and is improving every time out. Jiminez won the St. Paul 132 pound Golden Gloves title in 1968.

▶ Retired Jim Beattie is now a top insurance agent for Minnesota Mutual Co., here in St. Paul. Jim is doing great and has no thought of a comeback. Jim is also teaching boys boxing at the St. Paul Athletic Club, along with being a referee of some of the local bouts.

AL MARCANO OUTPOINTS ● RICHIE SUE IN CARACAS ●

By Ramino Machado Conzo

Caracas, Venezuela—A 10 round featherweight fight here resulted in a decision for Alfredo Marcano over Richie Sue.

Another feather scrap saw Antonio Gomez knock out Frank Leroy in the ninth round.

Octavio Romero, light heavy, outpointed Jose Rondon in six, and Luis Nunez outpointed welter Isaac Martinez in six.

Another card saw featherweight Bobby Valdez outscored in 10 by Cruz Marcano.

In a lightweight 10, Luis Lumumba Estaba got more points than Hilario Diaz.

Antonio Medina outpointed Orlando Silva in a six round bantam melee, and Luiz Nunez scored a TKO over Virgilio Gonzalez in the sixth.

Boxing, always a big thing in Caracas, never was more prosperous. Nobody fights here without earning his pay.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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will soon be hanging up the gloves. Lothar Stengel, former European light heavyweight champion, is still under doctor's orders and is not active.

French boxer Henri Ferjules, has 11 children and needs a few wins to keep the family well shod.

Prebeg picked up only $1250 for his win over Avoth, whose pay was $6250. His low purse was compensated for somewhat with a washing machine, a free holiday and a building lot from President Tito.

The low attendance at Zagreb was due to TV bringing the complete fight to viewers the following day. The promoter will not make this mistake again. Prebeg is expected to marry a ballerina from the Belgrade State Opera.

Vibo Valentia, a small town in Italy some 450 kilometers south of Naples, saw Berliner Gerhard Piaskowy, German champion, dethrone European light middleweight king, Remo Golfarini, Italy, in 15 rounds.

The general opinion before the match was that Piaskowy might pull it off with his KO punch but to outpoint the champion appeared to be out of the question. He won on points.

It was fortunate that the championship affair ever got off the ground for only in the last 10 days did promoter Rudolfo Sabattini decide on the location. First it was to take place in Messina, then Rome, Lignano and finally Vibo Valentia.

If the switch of locations did not unnerve Piaskowy he must have been shaken when the EBU named Frenchman Bernard Mascot, the referee. Reason being, Mascot was in charge of the European light heavyweight championship match between Giulio Rinaldi, Italy, and German Peter Klaus Gumpert in Rome on July 8, 1965.

Gumpert retired in the 13th frame and went to a hospital, never to box again. Mascot's handling of the bout came under heavy fire from even Italian critics, some of whom felt Rinaldi should have been disqualified for his unfair boxing. Mascot was suspended for a time. Surprisingly, Piaskowy was Golfarini's superior as a boxer. From round five he went on to pave the way to victory. From round 12 he was completely in command.

Italian reporters were not very friendly in their stories on Carlos Duran's defense of his European middleweight crown against Hans Dieter Schwartz. They labeled the challenger a 'learner,' a 'backward schoolboy.' The Gazzetta del Popolo said, "Schwartz should think himself lucky that Duran took it easy."

The Corriere dello Sport suggested that the Danish referee, Svend Auge Christensen, should call it a day, and that Schwartz's cornermen should have thrown in the towel before the 14th frame. The Studio Bologna reported, "A tough challenger but was not entitled to a title bout with the champion."

The Corriere De Sera suggested that the EBU should set European championship bouts more carefully "and prevent such matches as this from taking place."

It was obvious that Schwartz was in this bout without a chance and it was clear that the engagement should have been broken up in round 10, or at the latest, in No. 12.

ITALY

▶ **Aosta**—Middleweight. Luigi Patruno beat Day Moore who was disqualified in the fourth.

▶ **Vasto**—Domenico Tiberia stopped Giulian Nervino, TKO nine, to win the national welterweight crown. Welterweight. Antonio Budano decisioned Mario Landolfi, eight.

▶ **Rome**—Featherweight. Tommaso Galli decisioned Enrico Gismondi, eight. Heavyweight. Mario Baruzzi outpointed Francisco San Jose, eight. Lightweight. Enzo Petriglia outscored Kid Rainbow, eight. Welterweight. Gianni Zampieri beat Jose Luis Fernandez, KO one.

▶ **Cagiliari**—Lightweight. Antonio Puddu beat Pietro Ziino, KO four.

▶ **Naples**—Middleweight. Mario Lamagna beat Ronald Riedewald, TKO three. Featherweight. Elio Cotena beat Wellington Vilella, disqualified in the fourth.

▶ **Carrara**—Welterweight. Piero Ceru decisioned Sarafino Lucherini, 10. Lightweight. Amleto Restano outpointed Salvatore Gennatiempo, eight.

▶ **San Remo**—Dante Cane won the Italian heavyweight title with a 12-round decision over champion Piero Tomasoni. Welterweight. Bruno Arcari beat Billy Whittenburg, TKO six. Featherweight. Umberto Sanbola drew in an eight-rounder with Chiloiri.

▶ **Rome**—Middleweight. Roberto Sgrazzutti beat Lucien Antokowiak, KO six.

▶ **Pavia**—Light heavyweight. Giovanni Biancardi decisioned Jean Tshikuna, eight. Giuseppe Amante outpointed Ait Almed, eight. Bantamweight. Umberto Maggi beat Paul Jkumapay who disqualified in the third.

▶ **Milan**—4,000 at the Vigorelli Cycle track saw Carmelo Bossi turn the tables on Holland's Fighting Mack in 10 frames. Mack took his European crown when they met last August. Mack then lost the welterweight crown to Salvano Bertini. Bossi did not get away with an easy payday for he was decked for the first time in 40 bouts. Piero Del Papa decisioned Expedite Mouncho, France, eight. Eddie Blay, Ghana, outpointed Lakdar El Harizi, Tunis, eight.

▶ **Brescia**—Mario Baruzzi beat Ermanino Festorazzi, TKO four. The 4000 in the open air stadium of Rigamonti also witnessed European light welterweight champion Bruno Arcari, Italy, beat Floyd 'Brown' Blevens, U.S.A., in two frames. German Burkard Lembke lost a close six-rounder to local heavyweight hope, Giorgio Bambini. Armando Zanini, another Italian, beat Ferene Kristofszack, Hungary, in three frames.

▶ **Milan**—5000 were present to see lightweight Antonio Puddo beat German champion Klaus Jacoby, who was KOd in frame two from a hook to the liver. Puddo is undefeated in 14 starts. In the main event Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, decisioned Finland's Olli Maki, 10. The visitor was decked in rounds four and five. Former European champion Carmelo Bossi, Italy, although decked in frame three, won his eight-rounder with Globe John Tiger.

▶ **Rome**—Heavyweight. Mario Baruzzi beat Jose Peyre, KO two.

▶ **Milan**—Welterweight Eddie Blay outpointed El Harris, 8. Light heavyweight Piro Del Papa outscored Expedit Mountcho, 8.

▶ **Piacenza**—Featherweight August Civardi beat Ugo Poli, KO 6.

▶ **Montecatini Terme**—Welterweight Romano Fanali decisioned Garibaldi Costa Pereira, 8.

▶ **Rome**—Lightweight Enzo Petriglia beat Bruno Melissano, TKO 4.

▶ **Lumezzo**—Welterweight Gottardo Borghetti drew with Attilio Ancarani, 8.

▶ **Pesao**—Lightweight Enzo Pizzoni decisioned Leonardo Dessi, 8.

▶ **Morciano**—Middleweight Giovanni Murgia decisioned Francesco De Pace, 8.

▶ **Lecco**—Middleweight Mario Almanzo outscored Giordano Belleri, 8.

YUGOSLAVIA

▶ **Zagreb**—7000 fans saw a terrific fight here at the Salata Stadium. Yvan Prebeg won the vacant light heavyweight crown of Europe with a 15-round decision over Eddie Avoth. Prebeg was a clear winner. Referee Sancho Viller, Spain, scored it 73 points to 68, giving 10 rounds to the local fighter and five to Avoth. Prebeg came out of this hard battle with a probably fractured right hand and a cut over the left eye. Avoth had swellings around both eyes and a cut over the left. Prebeg's best punch was a left hook which hammered the visitor and took him out of his stride.

Avoth was at his best in rounds five and six and Prebeg came out best in frames three, nine and 10. Prebeg was carried off on the shoulders of his supporters. He had won the crown but his payday was a small one. The show came out in the red. Avoth hitherto was undefeated for two years and had lost only four of his 42 bouts spanning a professional career of six years.

FINLAND

▶ **Helsinki**—Elis Ask's promotion here had been scheduled to feature heavyweight hope Raimo Nisula. The show was in memory of Raimo who recently lost his life in a car accident. Olli Maki was boxing here for the first time since May 1968, and he outpointed Garibaldi Pereyra, Brazil, 10.

Ray Patterson lost to Vasco Faustino, Brazil. In frame three both landed simultaneously but Vasco's punch was the harder and Patterson fell. Referee Bertil Knutsson then disqualified Faustino, ruling that his blow was delivered after the bell had closed the round. Light heavyweight Taisto M. Maki decisioned German Heinz Dusing, six. Two new professionals were on the card. Lightweight Risto Meronen decisioned Nicola D'Orazio, Italy, six. Welterweight Pertti Taivainen beat Fighting Nen, Curacao, four.

FRANCE

▶ **St. Quentin**—Heavyweight Paul Roux beat Paul Schiller, KO six. Welterweights Gerard Arazon and Fredo Roelandt drew in an eight-rounder.

▶ **Besancon**—Welterweight Jean Josselin beat Sugar Roy Hassan, TKO six.

▶ **Rheims**—Welterweight: Gerard Aragon beat Jean Pierre Seguineau, TKO four. Jean Claude Delgove decisioned Daniel Brunet, eight.

▶ **Ongers**—Middleweight Claude Courteille outpointed Moses Adigun, eight.

▶ **St. Nazaire**—Lightweight Jean Pierre Hainault beat Michel Fourre, TKO two.

Annecy—Welterweight Albert Mendani beat Ahmed Bouchara, TKO five. Lightweight O. Makloufi decisioned Gabriel Locatelli, eight. W. terweight Roger Menetrev decisioned Massi Consolati, 10.

▶ **Villers**—Lightweight Jean Claude Lepolard s scored Henri Letellier, eight.

▶ **Abidgan**—Johnny White decisioned Angel R inson Garcia, 10 rounds.

▶ **Orleans**—Welterweight Yvon Mariolle beat S vain Luchesi, TKO four.

▶ **Grenoble**—Welterweight: Albert Menduni b Jean Desmarais, TKO three. Jean Pierre Schn drew with Pietro Gaspari, eight.

▶ **Marseilles**—Featherweight Daniel Vermand beat Marius Cordier, TKO 2.

▶ **Biarritz**—Featherweight Paul Rourre decision Kouider Meftah, 10.

SPAIN

▶ **Madrid**—Pedro Carrasco, Spain, retained h European lightweight crown against fellow cou tryman Miguel Velazquez, in 15 rounds. T challenger bled badly from a cut above the e which proved to be a severe handicap. It was great battle for the 16,000 in the Sport Pala In frame 10 Carrasco bled from the nose and 11 Velazquez's left eyebrow was cut. The inju was inspected in frame 13 but the bout w allowed to go on.

Velazquez, who had won 34 fights, 20 insi the distance, and was rated by some as capab of dethroning the champion, did well in the fi half of the battle but tired under Pedro's te rific onslaught.

Jose Legra beat Domenico Scalco, Austral in one frame. The towel was thrown in but Leg continued his attack. As referee Jose Sanch tried to break up the engagement a right fro Legra caught Sanchez and sent him to th canvas.

Welterweight Angel Robinson Garcia drew a eight-rounder with Toni Ortiz. Bantamweigh Francisio Martinez outscored Fabian Bellanc eight.

▶ **Zaragoza**—In the bull ring, Manuel Ibar Urtain, the Spanish giant, beat German Kurt Stroe TKO two. It was Urtain's 16th finish inside th distance. Featherweight Luis Aisa beat San Ro man, eight. Featherweight Valentin Loren bea Pedro Sanchez who was disqualified in the fifth Lightweight Juan Pena decisioned Jose Riva eight.

▶ **Santa Cruz**—Urtain won his 15th scrap wit a victory over former light heavyweight cham pion of Spain Jose Luis Velasco. A right in round three ended the bout. Welterweight Barren Corpas beat Vita Alves, TKO three.

▶ **Barcelona**—Welterweights: Antonio Torres out pointed Angel Guinaldo, eight. Jose Duran bea Quintin Soares, TKO two. Valentin outscored Mariano Latorre, eight. Featherweight Jonathan Dele beat Jesus Anjona, TKO two

▶ **Barcelona**—Welterweight Jose Duran deci sioned Pablo Vallecillo, eight. Lightweight Kid Rainbow outpointed Tomas Castuera, eight. Lightweight Jonathan Dele beat Angel Ejarque TKO three. Lightweight Mariano Lopez and Bon Fernandez went eight to a draw.

▶ **Madrid**—Featherweight Jose Arranz outpointed Jose Bisbal, 10. Welterweight Francisco Panos and Angel Neches were level at the close of their eight-framer. Middleweight Martin Parrage beat Sella Bukari, KO three.

▶ **Madrid**—Macan Keita, from Guinea, was stopped by Urtain, but created a minor record by lasting almost six frames. None of Urtain's 16 previous opponents ever got so far. Urtain had difficulty in catching his man, who was boxing cleverly. Keita, leading on points, finally fell for a haymaker to the ribs and went out. A crowd of 12,000 was present.

▶ **Madrid**—Heavyweight Francisco San Jose beat Carlos Diaz, TKO 4. Welterweight Carloss San Jose beat Luis Rodriguez, KO 1. Lightweight Andros Martin decisioned Guillermo Perez, 8.

▶ **Canet de Mar**—Middleweight Navarro Moreno decisioned Thomas Moktar, 12.

▶ **Iran**—Heavyweight Jose Urtain beat Macan Keita, KO 6. Middleweight Ricard Cabrera outpointed Hector Barosa, 8.

▶ **Madrid**—Welterweight Carlos San oJse decisioned Francisco Panos, 8. The Cesareo Barrera-Francisco Ferry bout was halted in the sixth because of rain. Lightweight Andres Martin outscored Cristobal Gomez, 8. Bantamweight Guillermo Barrientos and M. Quintas drew in an eight-rounder.

▶ Barcelona—Welterweight Angel Guinaldo beat Mohamed Halimi, KO 3. Lightweight Jonathan Dele beat Jose Carreno, KO 3. Featherweight Benito De La Calle beat Abdel Manan, KO 3. Bantamweight Bene Salah decisioned Lopez Guillen, 8.

▶ **Sabadell**—Welterweight Antonio Torres decisioned Pablo Vallecillo, 8. Jose Riba outscored Tony Ray, 8.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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BELGIUM

▶**Brussels**—Jean van Torre is now the lightweight champion of Belgium. He beat Jean Tirlo, KO seven.

HOLLAND

▶**Rotterdam**—Welterweight Aad Jansen drew 10 with Sion Le Louch. Middleweight Joop Verbon outpointed Poitrimol, 10.

ERRATIC PUGH BEATS BACKUS ● BUT BLOWS IT TO BARRETO ●

By R. E. Virgets

New Orleans, La.—The erratic Percy Pugh, local welter of high ranking, has his backers daffy. After beating Billy Backus, of Syracuse, for a fifteen round unanimous decision which evened their four bout series, Percy tossed his gains away with a defeat in a 10 by New York's unrated Miguel Barreto. How to call the turn on this local favorite is a mystery.

Barreto, 145¼, made his New Orleans debut a strong one by upsetting Pugh, 144¾, in the Municipal Auditorium.

The vote was close. Judge Herman Dutreix picked Pugh 6-3-1, while judge Pete Giarrusso favored the New Yorker, 4-3-3, and referee Lucien Joubert liked Barreto, 5-4-1.

Though not exciting, the bout was well-fought. Pugh scored well with right-hand leads, but the mustached Barreto robbed him of his most effective weapon by parrying Percy's left jab. The invader also scored well with hard jabs and sweeping hooks.

More than 3,000 customers paid to see the Jimmy White promotion. There is a return match conversation.

Once-beaten Chuck Mince, 146, scored a unanimous but close decision over Sam Wilson, 143, in a sixer. Mince has altered his slugging style somewhat, but scored well when he pressed Wilson.

Speedy Jimmy Trosclair decked Amiro Hernandez, 132, San Antonio, en route to an easy decision in a dull six rounder. Trosclair ran his pro record to 9-1-1. The winner weight 126.

In the opener, Joe Cook's right hand in the fifth round brought an abrupt end to a slugfest with Pini Alvarado, 141, San Antonio. Cook, 132, caught his heavier foe coming in with a short right that turned out the lights for Pini.

▶A crowd of 5,477 jammed the new Rivergate Exhibition Hall to see the Pugh-Backus match between well-rated welters.

Pugh was never in trouble as he easily reversed an April setback by Backus with clever boxing and a point-winning jab. Referee Pete Giarrusso voted 8-4-3, while judge Lucien Joubert saw it 9-4-2 and judge Herman Dutreix, 11-3-1.

In the night's best bout, Chuck Mince, 144¼, outslugged Billy Vining, 144, in a six. Mince, who came in lighter than in previous bouts, needed his best effort to earn the duke.

In the opening bout, Joe Cook, 134, came from behind to floor Jimmy Trosclair, 126, and earn a draw in a six-round affair.

▶Nearly 3,000 paying customers made promotion of the closed circuit Quarry-Frazier bout a profitable venture for Lou Messina, Alan LaCombe, and Jimmy White. Gross was $16,652.50 for a net of $13,332. Except for a poor sound system, those who attended seemed well-satisfied with the New York bout.

▶Revenge-minded Jerry Pellegrini made the most of a second chance at Billy Backus by punching out a convincing decision over the Syracuse southpaw over the 10-round route.

Pellegrini, the boxer-barber from nearby Arabi, La., had no difficulty finding his shorter foe with jolting right hands. Sharp rights put Billy on the canvas in the second and seventh rounds, and opened deep cuts over both eyes late in the bout.

Despite giving away nine pounds to his hard-hitting opponent, Backus never quit trying and won loud approval from the fans.

The win over the highly ranked New Yorker was the seventh straight in Pellegrini's comeback campaign following a string of losse last summer that included a defeat by Backus here.

There was no doubt this time. Referee Dutreix scored it for Pellegrini, 7-1-2, judges Giarrusso and Joubert backed Jerry, 9-1 and 8-2. Pellegrini weighed 152½, Backus scaled 143.

In a companion 10-rounder, counterpunching veteran Johnny Brooks, 150½, New Orleans, scored a slim win over Joey Gabino, 148, Port Arthur, Tex. Brooks needed all of his ring savvy to hold off the pressing Texan. Each fighter got one official's vote. Judge Ed Brown scored it 5-5, but awarded the bout to Brooks on "ring generalship."

Jack Tillman, 146½, Mobile, stopped an inept Al Moten, 150, Beaumont, in the third. The win was Tillman's eighth straight in local rings. Speedy King, 165, New Orleans, won a split verdict over Bruce Scott, 156¼, Beaumont.

NEW YORK'S MONTH THAT WAS

By Jersey Jones

The only major development in the slowest month New York City had known in several years was the one program offered in Madison Square Garden, topped by the hectic Jose Torres-Charley Green brawl, details of which are covered elsewhere in this issue by Dan Daniel.

In the semi-final 10, Torres' stablemate, former world lightweight champion Ismael Laguna, 136, Panama, had too much stuff for his willing but overmatched opponent, Genaro . Soto, 135½, Puerto Rico, and was an easy winner. In the other 10, the Italian-born Canadian, Donato Paduano, 153, Montreal, was credited with a KO when Billy Lonergan, 153½, Island Park, L.I., was not permitted to go out for the seventh. Lonergan had taken a cruel beating, and was bleeding from the mouth after his mouthpiece had been knocked out in the fifth. Commission physician Dr. Edwin Campbell checked him in his corner after the round, but permitted him to continue. Another round sufficed, however, and at the medico's suggestion, the affair was halted.

In a pair of preliminary fours, Al Quinney, 155½, Buffalo, decisioned Hilton Whittaker, 160½, Union, N.J., and Al Kivlin, 161, Springfield, Mass., won from Alberto Millan, 159½, Bronx.

▶Aside from the Garden carnival, the only ring activity in the metropolitan area during the month was one show at Audubon Ballroom and a "special" program at Hofstra University.

▶Large Al Joiner, who had been having rough going in his efforts to make a profitable venture of boxing promotions at the Audubon Ballroom, finally received some encouragement when his second card of the summer attracted box-office business of $2,923.50, paid by 709, for one of the best sets of statistics yet reported at the Washington Heights arena.

In the main 10, James J. Woody, 201½, Harlem, returned to action after a 9-month layoff, to whip a heavier neighborhood rival, Roosevelt Eddie, Jr., 236. Displaying few signs of his long absence from competition, Woody was too shifty and experienced for his powerful but lumbering opponent.

In the semi-final eight, Chris Fernandez, 136, a new arrival from Spain, made a success of his local debut by outpointing Bobby Hughes, 136¼, Bronx.

In sixes, Jose Llanos, 122, Puerto Rico, decisioned Pablo Goncalves, 121½, Brazil, and Lloyd Nelson, 162, Philadelphia, accounted for the only knockout of the night when he halted Ramon Hernandez, 162, Puerto Rico, at 0:42 of the final stanza.

▶Something new was added to the metropolitan scene when a professional fight card was presented at Hofstra University in Hempstead, Long Island. With $2,516 taken in from 799 paying customers, the venture was considered a success; so much so that another show was planned for later in the summer.

With Jack Stanton listed as the promoter, the license was "borrowed" for the occasion from the Ebon A.C., operating at Audubon Ballroom.

Local Long Islanders broke even in a pair of featured eights. The winner was Steve Shevlin, 140¼. Brentwood, who decisioned Juan Ramos, 149½. Puerto Rico, while Bob Stallings, 204, Levittown, was the loser, dropping a verdict to Wendell Newton, 222, Bahamas.

Ramon Mercado, 138, Puerto Rico, won from Bobo Ackerson, 139, Bronx, in six, and a scheduled four between Long Island heavyweight debutants ended in a hurry, Jeff Marx, 213, Merrick, disposing of Bob Meyer, 235, West Babylon at 1:41 of one.

▶Another blob of red ink was dumped on the ledgers of the Audubon Ballroom when a turnout of only 431 (275 paid) contributed $1,561.60 to the box-office to witness a card headed by the former amateur ace, Johnny Griffin, 182¼, Cleveland, O., who whipped the veteran Lou Hicks, 187½, Brooklyn, in an interesting 10.

Two of the supporting numbers ended in knockouts. The opening four produced a quick victory for Angel Ortiz, 151, Puerto Rico, over Fred Larsen, 140½, Bronx. Ortiz needed only 1:54 of one stanza to polish off his opponent. The other KO was registered by Cresencio Fernandez, 126, Puerto Rico, who stopped Al Hughes, 136, Bronx, at 1:59 of the seventh of a scheduled eight.

In another eight, Luis Vinalez, 156½, Puerto Rico, outfought Lloyd Nelson, 160, Philadelphia.

▶Despite its economic problems, the Audubon Ballroom remains the only "small" club functioning in the New York metropolitan area. Sunnyside Garden in Long Island City remained inactive, fistically, for the summer, but will reopen for business in the fall, with Duke Stefano again handling the matchmaking chores. At this writing, the only fight clubs operating hereabouts are Madison Square Garden and its junior arena, Felt Forum, and they're not going too often.... Fugiting tempus hasn't fared too well with what O. Henry called old "Bagdad-on-the-Subway." Time was, and not so long ago, when fight fans within a radius of 25 miles of Times Square had a dozen weekly shows to keep them interested, but with the passing years the St. Nicholas and Broadway Arenas, Ridgewood Grove, Fort Hamilton, Dexter Park, Coney Island Velodrome and MacArthur Stadium have vanished from the New York scene, while across the Hudson River such once-popular boxing communities as Bayonne, Jersey City, Newark, Elizabeth and Paterson have faded from the active list.

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING

by Walter Galli

OCT. 16, 1776

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EXPERTS SUPPORT HARADA, REF PEP SAYS FAMECHON

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good, and put on a fine exhibition of counterpunching, and shooting left leads to the man from Nippon.

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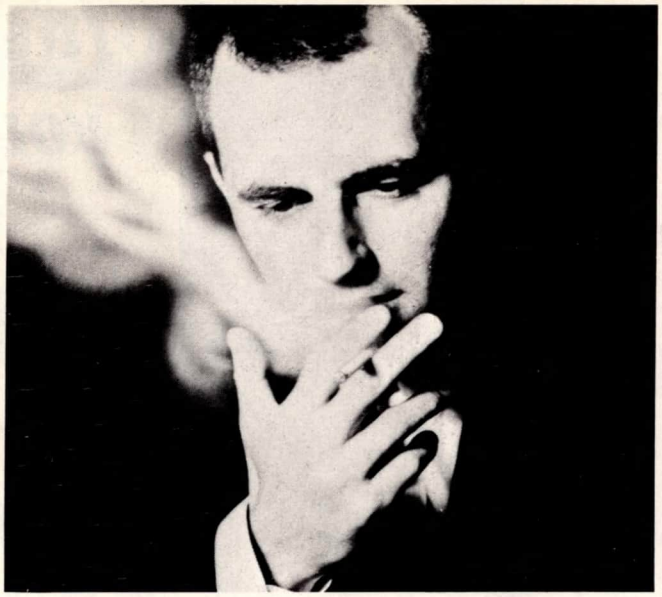

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